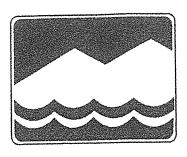
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Lake Lillinonah Authority

P.O. Box 568, Brookfield, CT 06804

MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JULY 3, 2018

BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL – ROOM 209

7:30PM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: Chairman G. Petriccione called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Present Members: Chairman G. Peticcione, First Vice Chairman S. Young, Treasurer B. Woerner,

B. Piepho, J. Ginnetty, J. Forlenzo, J. Curren, and M. Carrington

Absent Members: S. Howard, A. J. Murphy, A. Michener, S. Schifoletti, and D. Davies

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: A motion was made by First Vice Chairman S. Young, seconded by M. Carrington, to approve the LLA June 5, 2018 Meeting Minutes as written. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman G. Petriccione introduced a new LLA member, John Forlenzo representing Newtown. He also introduced David Miller, CT Bass Nation, Rebekah White, FOTL, and Selectman S. Sue Slater

David Miller, CT Bass Nation spoke to the members of the Authority regarding their stance on herbicide treatments in the lake and how it drastically affects fishing. He urged and asked LLA to research other methods other than chemical treatments. The options he proposed were mowing, dredging around docks, matting of beach areas, draw down to prepare for upcoming season, etc. Mr. Miller asked for LLA's support to propose a change in legislation.

Rebekah White, FOTL, stated that there was a lesser amount of garbage captured in the lake this year. She also stated that water chestnut removal is not complete.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

<u>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</u>: Chairman G. Petriccione reported that W. Pelletreau, representing Newtown has resigned his position with LLA for personal reasons.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: First Vice Chairman S. Young commended the great effort of clean up on Save the Lake Day. He stated that on Father's Day an energy audit was done and that the lake was at the highest level of water. He met with Brian Wood to discuss. First Vice Chairman S. Young stated that Rebekah White reported an important discovery of pond weed and that it was time to deploy the contractor. He also stated that he met with the Parks & Recreation Director and she confirmed that work can be done on the dock project; but not during the time when they will be running a class. First Chairman S. Young met with Chief John Puglisi and Tucker. He stated that the modifications are

prepared to be written and that Treasurer B. Woerner has worked with the insurance vendor to insure when the tank is installed in the event of fuel spills. In order for modifications to be approved, the Town has to be the responsible party in the event of fuel spills. First Selectman S. Dunn will discuss with counsel. The first line of defense as the responsible party will be LLA and the second is the Town. First Vice Chairman S. Young reported that the physical dock construction is being held up by Tucker's and the Town. He also reported that the State has requested monitoring at the dock. First Vice Chairman S. Young will discuss with Chief John Puglisi who will perform monitoring and who will make the decisions and what response(s). First Vice Chairman S. Young stated that Barkwood Cove and Lillinonah Drive areas were chemically treated with diquat. Signs were not posted in all areas. Chairman S. Young complained to DEEP and Solitude. Solitude did not return his calls regarding this issue. Signage is part of the permit application.

A motion was made by P. Piepho, seconded by J. Ginnetty, that we send a letter to CT DEEP, filing a grievance that Solitude did not do proper posting for their diquat treatment. Motion carries unanimously. M. Carrington will write the grievance.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report was given.

<u>TREASURER'S REPORT</u>: Treasurer B. Woerner stated that the audit firm has requested additional documents. He anticipates the audit to be complete by next month. He also stated the Town Contribution letters will be mailed out shortly. He reported that all insurances have been paid. Treasurer B. Woerner will look into comparable pricing for insurance companies and audit firms.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Update on Dock Project</u> – this agenda items was discussed in First Vice Chairman S. Young's report. <u>Sale of Boat</u> – M. Carrington stated that he has contacted two appraisers. Trying to locate title or registration. No updates yet. Will try to secure pricing.

<u>Vacancies</u> – Chairman G. Petriccione reported the following vacancies; Brookfield-1, Newtown-1, New Milford-2, Southbury-1

NEW BUSINESS:

Committee Updates

<u>Lake Management Committee</u> - J. Curren and First Vice Chairman S. Young discussed a report received from New England Aquatic Services regarding the two plants; Water Chestnuts and Curly Leaf Pondweed that have become a cause for concern in the Lake. (report is attached to the minutes)

<u>Legislative Committee</u> - M. Carrington gave an overview of what the Legislative Committee will accomplish:

- 1. Maintain a file of current state and federal water resource laws and regulations (hereinafter "legislation")
- Keep aware of proposed state and federal resource legislation, evaluate said proposed legislation, and make recommendation to the Authority on whether to formally support such proposed legislation.
- 3. If so delegated by the Authority, contact appropriate state and federal government officials regarding proposed legislation and update the Authority on the progress.
- 4. Investigate sources of state and federal funding for water pollution control projects or similar projects which the Authority may benefit from.
- 5. Share information and promote cooperation with other lake authorities in Connecticut and organizations concerning existing and new legislation.

<u>Public Relations Committee</u> – J. Ginnetty and M. Carrington discussed the LLA Website Project. The existing website would be redesigned and rehost the site with another web hosting provider. Both old and new website would remain operation until the new site is developed and Board approval of the content and design of the new site. (the proposal is attached to the minutes)

Communications and Information Technology Committee – this committee will;

- 1. Maintain the infrastructure necessary for the Authority to communicate items of interest or concern to the supporting towns and their populace.
- 2. Distribute/post publicity announcements/alerts prepared and authorized by the Executive Committee concerning the Authority's special events, activities, or Lake conditions that would be significant to those utilizing the lake and its facilities.
- Function as a liaison between all external organizations for general information concerning
 Authority and its goals. It should be noted that no individual delegate of the Authority can make
 a public statement of policy without the authorization of the Authority or the Executive
 Committee.
- 4. Provide a mechanism for channeling E-Mail and/or social media communications directed at the Authority to reach the most appropriate Authority Member or committee. The committee will acknowledge and respond in a timely manner to all requests received through this through this mechanism.
- 5. As appropriate and directed by the Authority's Executive Committee, coordinate with Friends of the Lake and/or other organizations to ensure that issues of importance concerning Lake Lillinonah are communicated consistently via established communication paths.
- 6. Establish and maintain an online presence to communicate the following information to the supported towns and their populace:
 - a. Contact information for the Lake Lillinonah Authority;
 - b. Contact information for the Connecticut State Police;
 - c. Contact information for the State of Connecticut Environmental Protection (DEEP) conservation office;
 - d. Any items of interest pertaining to boating, swimming, diving, etc., which would tend to make these activities safer and more enjoyable, and;
 - e. Existing, proposed and recently enacted regulations or pertinent ordinances related to the governance or operation on Lake Lillinonah.

Audit – this agenda item was discussed under the Treasurer's report.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: B. Piepho stated that in May 2018 (60) Tiger Muskies were stocked in the lake.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: A motion was made by B. Piepho, seconded by Treasurer B. Woerner, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Cerasoli

LLA - Administrative Assistant