

Newtown Roxbury Southbury

Lake Lillinonah Authority
PO Box 568, Brookfield, CT 06804

Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 2, 2022 Virtual Meeting 7:30pm

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman S. Young called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, 2nd Vice Chairman V. Young, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Ginnetty, M. Digirolamo, R. Johnson, J. Curren, C. Read, J. Munno, G. McMahon, S. Lee, J. Pinkos Absent Members: B. Rogers, D. Lathrop, B. Waslenko, and B. Piepho,

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: A motion Chairman V. Young, seconded by M. Digirolamo, to approve the LLA July 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes as written. Motion was made by 1st Vice carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced Rebekah White, Friends of the Lake

CORRESPONDENCE: This agenda item will be discussed in the Chairman's Report.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Chairman S. Young reported on the ongoing issue with illegal camping around the lake. Locations are the same as in the past with a few more areas this year. It is difficult to get Enconn to respond. During the day patrons can use the properties for picnics without a fine. Patrons cannot cut down vegetation or have campfires. Night picnicking is prohibited. The last patrol on Friday and Saturday nights patrol these areas to make sure all patrons have left the area. The First Selectman in Southbury and Chairman S. Young have spoken regarding the issues in Southbury. First Selectman Jeff Manville has contacted the Southbury Police about the issue. If the patrol sees patrons in Southbury camping or having campfires they are to contact the Brookfield Police Department and then Southbury Police will be contacted by Brookfield. Chairman S. Young stated that there have been some boat issues this month. One of the batteries was not charged on Boat #2. This boat just had its motor replaced. Now all boats are in service and in working condition. Chairman S. Young also stated that there are some issues finalizing the AIS Grant. The vendor has removed 147 gallons of water chestnuts this year compared to 330 gallons in the same areas as last year. LLA and the vendor will deal with the grant paperwork and payment for this service at a later date. Chairman S. Young stated that First Light & Power verbally agreed to allow fish regulation signs to be posted. LLA will need to comply with the necessary paperwork to be completed before the signs are attached. Chairman S. Young reported that he was interviewed by Friends of the Lake on all different aspects of debris issue on Lake Lillinonah.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: First Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti stated that he will be creating a clear video of the trash at Paugusset State Forest and other areas. He also stated that he has made Progress on compiling a depreciation schedule on the boats. He will have this schedule completed by the next meeting or sooner. The Town of Newtown had made a decision not to pay the increase for their Town contribution. Newtown paid last year's amount. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti spoke to the Newtown First Selectman and was told to speak with the Chair of the Finance Committee in Newtown. He will meet with him on Friday. Newtown has agreed to pay the additional monies. The reason for this meeting is that if another increase in the Town contributions a process will need to be followed. First Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti stated that B. Piepho said that DEEP gave him a 3 month pass on the language on the signs and that the language needs to be changed.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report for this meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner reported that all Towns have paid their full dues, with the exception of Newtown. Newtown paid last year's amount. Newtown will send the remaining balance. He also reported that all insurances have been paid. Treasurer B. Woerner reached out to the audit firm, but has not received a response.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Vacancies - Newtown-1

NEW BUSINESS: No New Business was reported.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

GRANT COMMITTEE: J. Curren stated that he is currently working on closing out the AIS Grant. Rick Johnson stated he is looking into other grants.

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: J. Ginnetty stated that the emails and document storage services that we have received from Google from 2010 is no longer a free service. Google will be charging by user (28) active users. The cost for the first year is \$3per user, per month. In the subsequent year the fee will be \$6 per user. He will submit LLA's Non-Profit status and go through a verification process with Goggle to try to have the free services reinstated.

BOATING AND SAFETY COMMITTEE:

Patrol Activities:

Currently there are 12 officers and 10 assistants for 2022. Three of the Lake Lillinonah Authority furnished marine patrol boats are in service and available. The boats were recently serviced. An oil leak was discovered and repaired on the Metal Shark, lower unit, during routine maintenance.

A total of 625.5 man-hours were assigned in July. There were 2 patrol shifts that ended early due to rain/thunderstorms this month. Patrol had 225 contacts with vessels, camper/swimmers, which resulted in 91 verbal warnings for assorted violations, and 87 inspections primarily for life jackets. Patrol had 41 documented boater assists and 5 trespassing contacts at the Bleachery Dam and 5 for swimming at State ramp in Bridgewater and 3 other trespassing violations. There was one assist to a collapsed boat lift with a sinking boat, and another assist to Newtown PD for a motorcycle crash at the Newtown boat ramp. Patrol used approximately 614 gals of fuel during this period.

<u>FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE</u>:C. Read stated that he has contacted Minnesota Stocking to purchase Tiger Muskies in the fall.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: There were no Other Items To Be Discussed for this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by R. Johnson, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:24pm.

Respectfully submitted

LLA Administrative Assistant