

**LAKE LILLINONAH AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009, 7:30PM
BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL
APPROVED MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman Davidson, determined a quorum and called the meeting to order at 7:40pm.

Members Present: S. Young, J. Briody, B. Piepho, B. Boodry, J. Simmons S. Ward, B. Woerner, R. Faanes, and A. Niedzielski,

Also Present: S. Conant – Friends of the Lake

Absent Members: R. Carley, A. Hawley, L. Leaden, and S. Howard

A motion was made by S. Young, seconded by B. Woerner to move to Agenda Item-New Business. Motion was passed unanimously.

LLA members received a thank you card from C. Giordano thanking the members for the thoughtful gift sent to her.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Davidson discussed the proposed budget. He stated that administrative costs will stay about the same. J. Simmons stated that as long as there are no major changes, the website (hosting) cost should remain status quo. Water treatment will be substantially under budget. The 319 Grant in the amount of \$4,000 remains the same, as LLA has a two year agreement with DEP. Patrol and salaries is budgeted for a full patrol; which may vary due to weather conditions. \$5,000 has been budgeted for capital reserve to purchase boats in the future. The \$6,000 contribution from First Light Power is not reflected in the budget as it restricted to Capital Acquisitions. First Light Power has not kept up with the area towns contributions. Chairman Davidson reported that he felt First Light is not paying their fair share. He has requested they contribute \$12,000 instead of \$6,000. Any additional monies received from First Light Power would be put into capital. Area towns are asked to contribute the same amount as last year. Chairman Davidson and J. Briody will go over the actual numbers for 08/09 and make any necessary corrections. Members will receive updates by email.

S. Young made a motion, seconded by R. Faanes to accept the soon to be amended budget for 2010-2011 as proposed. No further discussion on the motion. Chairman Davidson asked for a hand vote for all those in favor of the proposed budget totaling \$131,200 beginning July 1, 2010. All were in favor and the budget was unanimously approved.

Chairman Davidson stated that he has asked S. Ward, J. Simmons and L. Leaden to be part of the Nominating Committee. They will put together a list of candidates and email to LLA members. All three expiring incumbents will be asked if they would like to be considered. Chairman Davidson stated he will add by-law wording and absentee ballot information in his email.

Chairman Davidson reported that the Lake Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on 11/9/09
The Lake Advisory Committee was formed as part of the FERC approval of First Light's
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Recreation Lake Management Plan (RMP) in 2006. The Lake Advisory Committee is scheduled to meet annually for 3 years following the RMP approval to aid First Light in addressing ongoing recreational needs at the Housatonic Project; which includes Lake Lillinonah. Members include; LLA, Candlewood Lake Authority, Lake Zoar Authority, CT DEP, the US Fish and Wildlife Service, and the National Park Service. Chairman Davidson will attend the meeting which will be held in New Milford at either 10:00am or 2:00pm. Any interested members are asked to contact Chairman Davidson.

Chairman Davidson stated that the LLA needs to create an annual report to the towns highlighting LLA's activities. Chairman Davidson will attach the annual report to the budget request.

Chairman Davidson left the meeting at 8:00pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by S. Ward, seconded by J. Briody to approve the minutes of the LLA Regular Meeting of October 6, 2009 with the following amendments; J. Simmons name shall be added to Absent Members, and page three, second paragraph should read sodium hypochlorite instead of sodium hydrochloride. Motion was passed unanimously.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No formal report

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: S. Young stated that L. Leaden recently took a sample of water from the Lake and the sample was brought to Hydro technologies for testing. The purpose of the testing was to see if there were life forms, and if the sample was a viable sample since the water was not put in a proper collection device, and not refrigerated. Testing was done because of odors noticed by LLA members. VOC testing results showed a breakdown in the decomposition of algae. S. Young suggested collecting one more sample and test one more time to determine the type of algae. S. Ward and J. Briody volunteered to collect additional samples from time to time. S. Young will provide them the necessary form and collection bottles.

S. Conant, Friends of the Lake, stated they would like to help in any way.

R. Fannes reported that the Washington Garden Club had a panel of discussions on the Shepaug Watershed on October 17, 2009. DEP, HVA, and Save the River were in attendance. They discussed water quality and how it is being addressed. R. Fannes will find out the panel members names and ask them to speak to at one of the LLA meetings.

S. Young stated that LLA is going to accept CCA's revised proposal to do work on the buoy permits and surveying work. CCA has new technology that will decrease the amount from the first proposal by way of using a new GPS survey device which will provide accurate mapping for future use. J. Briody stated listing the types of buoys and GPS coordinates on the website.

S. Young thanked S. Conant, Friends of the Lake, on his great job on the posting to FERC regarding the 2008/2009 debris management program.

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SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: B. Boodry stated that the marine patrol season is over. K. Seeley's last duty was to take G. Knoecklein around for the final round of testing. B. Boodry reported that West Cove Marina has invoiced LLA for storage and shrink wrap and winterization of the boats. B. Boodry will follow up with West Cove Marina next week to check if the boats are out of the water.

S. Ward stated that she will send an acknowledgement letter from LLA to K. Seeley for his last rescue.

TREASURER'S REPORT: J. Briody distributed the monthly transactions detail and balance sheet, reconciliation and profit/loss statements. He reported that \$7,800 in expenses was paid out for the month. \$179.00 was received in interest. He also stated that the main expenses that were paid were two years of fish stocking, and to NE Aquatic Research for the ongoing water study.

J. Briody stated that letters were sent out to the 6 towns requesting their contribution. A few checks have been received. J. Briody stated that he received payment from NE Supply for K. Seeley. He also received a refund from Workmen's Compensation. J. Briody also received a check from GMS rowing for the Regatta. J. Briody stated that he spoke with Provac regarding the phone system. He discussed the confusion with the phone listing. J. Briody will follow up with AT&T and correct the problem. He also suggested switching to Google voice, which does not incur a fee.

B. Piepho made a motion, seconded by B. Boodry, that LLA drop the current answering service and enroll in a Google phone system. This item will be discussed on next month's agenda. S. Young added to the motion, "pending proper listing capability under 411."

OLD BUSINESS: J. Simmons spoke about Google voice stating that it can be set up with an existing phone number (applied to Google voice) or a new one. If you retain an existing number you will receive a high end voice mail. When we subscribe to a Google provided phone number, anyone calling the number will be intercepted by Google with an auto attendant stating that you have reached LLA, please leave your message. The message will be broadcasted to any email addresses that have been listed, as a wave file, and then transcribes the message. If calls are to ring to a designated number, it can be set up where if no one answers the designated number, the call will be forwarded to the second designated number, etc. J. Simmons will inquire if 411 would list a Google number. J. Simmons stated that LLA will have to obtain a Google account. He will report to LLA at next month's meeting.

ADJOURN: A motion was made by A. Niedzielski, seconded by J. Briody to adjourn the meeting. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 8:50pm.