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Lake Lillinonah Authority
PO Box 568, Brookfield, CT 06804

Tuesday, October 2, 2018
Brookfield Town Hall – Room 209
7:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman S. Young called the meeting to order at 7:32pm.

Present for the Board: Chairman Young, First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti, Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho, Treasurer B. Woerner, R. Johnson, M. Digirolamo, J. Ginnetty, J. Forlenzo, A.J. Murphy

Absent Members: G. Petriccione, S. Howard, A. Michener, J. Curren, M. Carrington, J. Munno, and D. Davies

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho, seconded by First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti, to approve the LLA September 4, 2018 with the following amendments: 1. under Committee Reports, Communication & Information Technology Committee, the last sentence should read, *There will be one email assigned for each representative of each town.* 2. under Any Other Items to Come Before the Board, 4th paragraph, first sentence should read, *Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho reiterated on Pittsfield passing their budget for a phosphorus upgrade that would remove 80lbs of phosphorus per day.* Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced Robert Woodside - Southbury, CT

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young stated that he received a phone call from First Light & Power regarding the debris pile to be observed before being chipped.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: None

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti stated that he spoke with Mike Peyton regarding issues at the state launch, ie. camping, people hanging out, rules broken. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti also asked to be informed of all activities happening on the lake. He stated that swimming around the dock and camping is unacceptable and that dispatch should be informed. He also stated that there is no signage at the launch at Pond Brook. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti reported meeting with Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi regarding the SOP. He also reported that he has reviewed this document and make changes. This document is in the review process and S. Schifilliti will discuss his changes with Chief Puglisi for approval. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti will make an appointment with Atty. Ted Becker, Cramer & Anderson for his opinion of the SOP. When the working draft is completed it will be presented to the Authority for approval. A suggestion was to have the SOP in alignment with LLA's insurance policy. M. Digirolamo volunteered to review the insurance policy. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti stated that Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi requested a gathering for the Marine Patrol Officers as a thank you.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho reported that the City of Danbury's Town Board approved to send the \$103M sewer upgrade for individuals to vote at referendum. Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho told the members that he caught two 24-26" tiger muskies this week.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner stated the audit is complete. LLA members will deliver a copy of the audit to their respective First Selectman. He also stated that that he has received a request from Selectman S. Slater for an Income/Expense report from July 1, 2017 to present. Treasurer B. Woerner presented the budget and it will be voted on next month.

OLD BUSINESS:

***Dock Project Update:** Chairman S. Young stated that the metal cover and brackets have been installed. He also stated that the site contractor's work has been delayed due to weather. The site contractor will do the site work and fill the form. Chairman S. Young spoke with Tucker and the parts have been

ordered for the anchoring system. The docks will be brought over when the site contractor is on site. Chairman S. Young spoke with the Fire Marshall regarding the length of the hose. He stated that the project is positively moving forward and will give an update at next month's meeting.

***Danbury Waste Water Treatment Plant:** Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho stated that this plant is significant to Lake Lillinonah as 40lbs extra of phosphorous a day will be removed. He also stated that the Authority get the word out to the residents of Danbury to vote yes for this \$70M upgrade. After discussion, a motion was made by Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho, seconded by J. Forlenzo, that the Lake Lillinonah Authority be proactive in marketing residents of Danbury to vote yes for the sewer plant and form a committee of three/four members to discuss an action plan not to exceed \$1,000. Motion carries unanimously. Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho and First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti volunteered for this committee.

***Vacancies:** Chairman S. Young stated the vacancies as follows; New Milford-2.

NEW BUSINESS:

***Present Budget:** The budget was presented by Treasurer B. Woerner and discussed. Voting on the budget will take place at the LLA November 2018 meeting.

***LLA Phone Management:** J. Ginnetty stated that he looked into the technical aspect of the current phone answering system and reported that all calls are forwarded to G. Petriccione's cell phone and that voicemail transcripts were being saved online. The LLA phone number is associated with Google Voice and saves transcripts of recorded messages. First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti volunteered to look into what other lake authorities phone/answering systems have in place. J. Ginnetty will work with Chairman S. Young on updating the current verbiage presented to callers when they dial the Authority phone line.

***Discussion on Invasive Plant Management Meeting:** Chairman S. Young gave a recap on the Invasive Plant Management Meeting held at Town Hall last Friday night. Discussed was a science of all invasive species on the lake and growth as well as their approach to handling this problem. Also discussed was a new chemical that may not be as harmful and would act on plants different than diquat. This new chemical is proposed to be applied in over a two year period. In the first year 40 acres will be treated and in the second 30 acres will be treated. All options were presented at the meeting. There was no discussion on where the funds would come from for this project. Friends of the Lake and Lake Lillinonah Authority presented their position of not being in favor of chemical treatments in the lake. Chairman S. Young stated the group down played the issue of curly pondweed and water chestnuts. He also stated that that the studies do not include any water above the gorge.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: Chairman S. Young stated that J. Curren will attend the Invasive Land Species Meeting at UConn and will report findings next month.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: None

COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: J. Ginnetty stated that he has updated the web pages, the logo and reached out to committee members to refresh its contents. New email addresses will take effect after elections.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD: None

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Treasurer B. Woerner, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.