Bridgewater Brookfield New Milford



Newtown Roxbury Southbury

Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 5, 2025 Via Zoom 7:30PM

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

<u>Members Present</u>: Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, 2nd Vice Chairman V. Young, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Curren, J. Ginnetty, C. Read, A. Strothers, M. Wurtmann, M. Digirolamo, C. Symes, B. Waslenko, S. Lee,

K. Strobino, T. Ferranti, K. Lee <u>Absent Member</u>: R. Johnson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by M. Wurtmann, to approve the LLA July , 2025 Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced R. White, FOTL.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young reported receiving correspondence from Pond & Lake regarding the second treatment of herbicide. He also reported that he received complaints regarding noise from fan boats. T. Ferranti stated that she received complaints regarding the late night bow fishing, which is disruptive to homes on the shoreline. Chairman S. Young received correspondence from a lake resident that praised the water chestnut removal, but expressed concern as to why harvesting was not completed. Chairman S. Young reminded members to use their LLA email accounts for official correspondence. Chairman S. Young noted that 1st LightPower conducted a summer claimed capability audit without notifying or using the agreed upon call system, which they need to do annually to qualify the hydro generation equipment's performance. He discussed there were no complaints of high water level on July 4th, and also noting the lack of communication regarding this event.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Chairman S. Young's report was discussed under Correspondence.

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

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

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner stated that all Town contributions have been received. He also reported receiving funds from 1st Light Power. Treasurer B. Woerner reported receiving a Members Equity Distribution from CIRMA.

OLD BUSINESS:

*Vacancies - Southbury-1

*Hydrilla – R. White, FOTL gave an update on Hydrilla. She stated that a small patch of Hydrilla was sighted on the Shepaug – possibly brought in by waterfowl. R. White also stated that a stakeholders meeting is needed to determine responsibility for the treatment.

*Kimberly Clark- No report for this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: No New Business was discussed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

GRANT COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE: No report for this meeting.

BOAT AND SAFETY COMMITTEE: Chairman S. Young stated that Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi is extremely happy with the new boat motor. Listed below is the Marine Patrol Activity Report for the month of July 2025:

Patrol Activities:

There are 12 certified police officers and 5 lake patrol officers for 2025. All Lake Lillinonah Authority-furnished marine patrol boats are in service and available. New BPD police radios were installed last month, and one had to be sent back for repairs.

A total of 429 man-hours were assigned in July for patrol, including training and administrative tasks. Several patrol shifts ended early due to rain/thunderstorms this month, and four were canceled. The patrol had 170 contacts with vessels and campers/swimmers, resulting in 102 verbal warnings for various violations and 118 inspections, primarily for life jackets. Patrol had 13 trespassing contacts at the Bleachery Dam/133 Ramp, and 25 documented boater assists that included 2 medical, 1 sinking vessel, 2 abandoned PWC, 1 raccoon in a boat.

FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE: C. Read provided an update on fish stocking. He stated that DEEP is planning to stock 500 Tiger Muskies, from New Jersey. He will follow up. C. Read reported that a bass virus was discovered in the 1990's and has been found in many states in the US. He also reported that the virus causes internal organ damage in fish, leading to die-offs, but some bass do survive. He stated that the virus spreads through fish contact during spawning and overcrowding and through angler's activities. Chairman S. Young showed concern, but C. Read stated that the fast moving water in Lake Lilliononah would prevent these outbreaks.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: R. White, FOTL stated that the Annual Anniversary Party will be held on August 14th @ 6:00pm. Members can RSVP to FOTL.org or respond to their email invite. Chairman S. Young also stated that any member can contact him to RSVP as well.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by J. Ginnetty, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Cerasoli
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