

Bridgewater
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Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday November 4, 2025
Via Zoom
7:30PM

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

Members Present: Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Ginnetty, M. Wurtmann, M. Digirolamo, J. Curren, C. Read, A. Strother, T. Ferranti, S. Lee, and K. Lee,

Absent Member: 2nd Vice Chairman V. Young, B. Waslenko, R. Johnson, and C. Symes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to approve the LLA October 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced G. Bollard, Friends of the Lake

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young reported correspondence with Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi, and R. Winingier.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report for this meeting.

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 reported invoices being paid for end of season events.

OLD BUSINESS:

***Budget Vote** – All members were in favor to accept the 2026-2027 LLA Budget as presented.

***Vacancies** - Southbury-1

***Kimberly Clark**- M. Wurtmann stated that Kimberly Clark is involved in another lawsuit. G. Bollard, FOTL, provided an update on the status of Kimberly Clark. He also stated that FOTL was contacted to join the lawsuit and tie in the discharge permit. FOTL declined.

NEW BUSINESS:

***Officer Nominations** – A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by M. Wurtmann, to nominate the current Board to serve as the future Board. Motion carries unanimously.

***2026 Schedule of Meetings** – A motion was made by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, seconded by C. Read, to approve the 2026 Schedule of Meetings as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

***New Boat** – Chairman S. Young provided pricing on three potential boats for purchase.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: G. Bollard, FOTL, gave an overview of hydrilla management and funding challenges. He explained that while the 2025 treatment was effective, the hydrilla spread rapidly, increasing from 2 to over 15 acres and more areas, and that the management plan is not effective. He said that a thorough monitoring was completed in 2025 compared to past years. G. Bollard stated that water fowl is one of the main vectors for spreading on the lake. He also stated that he met with Senator Blumenthal's office, DEEP, and multiple agencies of DEEP, FirstLight Power, Pond and Lake, and the Confederation of Lakes. The purpose of the meeting was to stress that there is an, "effective mechanism" of lake management for the spread of hydrilla in the early stages of invasive species." He highlighted the need for rapid response due to the invasive species rapid spreading and environmental concerns. G. Bollard stated the CT DEEP has verbally committed \$45,000 for the 2026 season. He also stated that a proposal was made from Pond and Lake in the amount of \$45,000 worth of treatments. He added that more funding is needed. Options to explore are AIS Grant.

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:

Below is a summary of the Lake Lillinonah Marine Patrol activities for the 2025 boating season.

The Lake Lillinonah Authority hires sworn off-duty police officers and non-sworn personnel for marine patrol. Three Lake Lillinonah Authority-furnished marine patrol boats were utilized throughout the season. Boat #3 Metal Shark had serious engine issues and was out of service for several weeks at the during this season while engine was replaced. Boat #2 older Whaler had another leak brookfield 2025. This included training and administrative hours. Patrol had 585 vessel contacts, which resulted in 338 verbal and written warnings, 351 inspections, and 52 requests to vacate due to trespass and equipment violations. The patrol had 73 documented boater assists and performed numerous debris removals. Assisted the following agencies: Brookfield Police, Bridgewater Fire/Ambulance, CSP Troop A, Newtown Police, New Milford Fire, DEEP Encon Police, and New Milford Police several times throughout 2025 for assorted emergency service needs.

We used approximately 2575 gallons of fuel during this boating season. We had a credit of 286 gallons at the end of the season.

FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE: C. Read reported that Minnesota Muskies will not be available for restocking this year, but he will continue to explore options.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: There were no other items to be discussed.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by J. Ginnetty, seconded by M. Digirolamo to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:31pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Cerasoli

LLA Administrative Assistant