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Member Towns

Monroe Newtown Oxford Southbury

Tuesday, July 5, 2011

All Commissioners Present

Chairman Bob Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Public Comments

None

LZA Minutes

Motion to approve the amended *May minutes*; Additional corrections to the notes-

Bob Bowolick requested changes to the May minutes' Water Quality Report:

- Mr. Bowolick participated in the water quality and the technicians reviewed four parts of the river from a boat

**Please delete the sentence that LZA pays for the services

All in Favor of the amended May minutes

June Minutes

Proposed corrections:

- Correct spelling of the former Chairman's last name-Saade

Coast Guide Auxiliary

- It was reported 20 vessels a safety boat expectations on May 20th

All In favor of the amended June minutes

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer, Robert Mouchantat reported for the fiscal 2011 year, LZA currently has \$9,6035.00. We're still awaiting bills from Southbury, and the cost of the water treatment.

The towns of Monroe and Newtown discounted their officer rates. Changes it down to the mid-60's, and the town of Oxford will do the same. Southbury hasn't yet responded to the officer rates

Motion to approve the treasurer's report- All in Favor

Boats, Motors, and Maintenance

Unit 1: General Maintenance

- Fabricated and installed a rain shield just below the aft end of the hard top in order to keep the lifejackets stored above the canvas overhead dry
- Replaced the port and starboard shock cords holding the boat hook and deck brush in place
- Topside cleaned with a fiberglass restorer and waxed. Plan to clean and wax hull exterior when the boat is hauled
- A scratch to the gel coat was reported by the driver at the end of his patrol on June 19th. Investigation showed a significant scratch that went through the gel coat to the hull fiberglass. A gel coat repair kit was ordered through Lakeside Marine and the damage was repaired.
- Participated in water quality testing on June 27th, at the four sites selected by George Nockline

The LZA radio is inoperative. Recommend removal of radio and antenna provided boat to boat communication can be performed using the state police radio. A cover plate will be required should the radio be removed. Teak material is available at no cost to the LZA.

Unit 2: General Maintenance

- Started to fabricate a cover for the center console
- Fabricated a rain shield for the area just below the aft end of the hard top in order to keep lifejackets stored above the canvas overhead dry
- Fabricated and varnished a teak disk cover, at no cost to the LZA, to replace the inoperative compass

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Water Treatment

Vice-Chairman, Bernie Lintzner reported that there were a few dissenting voices regarding the treatment, but the treatment is safe and going well.

Mark Howarth expressed that he did a story of zebra mussels on the lake and the process of assessing the lake.

Commissioner Raymond Hoesten stated that he has tested the water three times, but have not received feedback from the state. He tested the water in ten spots, and provided two water samples to the state. As the process goes, the state will email Bob Barnes to results from the test. Mr. Barnes requested Raymond Hoesten to request once again the water reports.

Secretary, Carolyn Wilson reported that she will go to the Candlewood Lake to review their zebra mussels signs. She will see how much the zebra mussels signs cost. In addition, on June 18th, she and Jeannie Purcella, attend the zebra mussels inspection workshop. They inspected seventeen boats.

Commissioner Tony D'Angelo stated that an analyst from the state provided him with some information on the different variations of algae stated that cyanobacteria + harmful algal blooms.

The 5-4-11 publication by D. Mass stated that under certain conditions toxins can be released when certain types of lake algae die. The state department of health is asking for assistance to share this report with the public. Mr. D'Angelo made a recommendation for the analyst to share this report with the Newtown Health Director. In July 27th, EPA will issue it's proposal for cleaning up the Housatonic River from below Pittsfield, Mass to where it joins Long Island Sound of Stratford and Milford.

State Police Report:

Sargent Sergeant Dan Semosky reported the following patrol participation from the LZA towns:

Town of Monroe (June 4-5)

Southbury (June 7-12)

Oxford (June 18-19)

Newtown (June 25-26)

**Town of Monroe covered the July 4th weekend.

There were no major incidents of the lake

In terms of transfer of keys between the patrol officers and boat drivers; it was agreed that the patrol officers will check-in at Troop A, and the keys will be there too. The activity and log-in sheets can be dropped off as well

The boat driver will pick up the keys and prepare the boat before the officers arrive.

**Bernie and Bob cleaned out the office

Publicity and Public Awareness

Commissioner Jeannie Purcella reported that she went to the June 18th class (as was previously discussed), and they gave us t-shirts to wear. Through the workshop, we can now advise people on zebra mussels.

The treatment of the lake was in the newspaper. Western CT State Univ. students will review and analyze the lack of zebra mussels.

New Business:

Revenue Complaint on Lakewood Drive; the new occupant has received complaints. Brian Woods has been notified as well as the DEP. His Boat is far off from his deck.

Grants:

Under the new report; two grant (one local, one state)...They both require matching funds to be included in the grant request.

Tony responded: It might be something pursuing; First Light it's criteria, and It might make us eligible for some grants. LZA should look into how other lake authorities are responded to grants. One lake authority in Pennsylvania received two grants that will upgrade a playground area on their property.

Bernie Lintzner made a motion to adjourn meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

