

LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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Member Towns

Monroe-Newtown-Oxford-Southbury

The regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday, September 5, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at the Southbury Town Hall, Main Street, Southbury, Ct

Commissioners Present:

Gary Fillion, Chairman
Herb Garber
Jerry Isleib
Gary Dennen
Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer
Frank Cavallo

Absent:

Ray Hoesten
Oxford Vacancy
Monroe Vacancy
John A Downs Jr
Ed Kusinski
Dick Speer

Gary Fillion, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m. with 6 of the 10 members present.

Secretary's Report:

A motion to accept the minutes as read from the August 1, 2017 meeting was made by Bob Mouchantat (seconded by Jerry Isleib); motion was passed unanimously.

Public Comments:

- Tony D. commented he was glad LZA is not participating in a movement to restrict wake surfing in the portions of the lake that are considered residential; he also asserted that per statutes, the 100'/200' no wake rules are enforceable and he encourages publication of lake incidents/warnings/citations to educate the public.
- Wendy commented that she experienced out of the ordinary warm/hot water and that the water seemed very low. She would like to see more information about what goes into the lake.
- John M. commented that he has evidence that the weed treatment is a significant factor in the volume of blue-green algae that the lake experienced this and last summer.

Correspondence and News Clippings:

Articles on the Leaps of faith use of Newtown and/or residential property were circulated as an FYI.

Treasurer's Report:

Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer, reported that all received bills are paid. Account balance was not reviewed due to a problem with the laptop as such no motion was made to accept the treasurers report. Four motions were made by Mouchantat related to fiscal year which ended 6/30/17:

1. Carryover \$3879 FY17 budget surplus to FY18: seconded by Fillion; passed unanimously
2. Carryover \$10,000 first Light grant to FY18 as budgeted: seconded by Fillion; passed unanimously
3. Increase Reserve Fund by \$2002 (FY16 carryover) and \$29 (FY17 interest): seconded by Dennen passed unanimously
4. Combine Reserve tracking of "non-recurring capital" and "weed abatement" to be "reserve NRC & WA" since they are in a consolidated savings account: : seconded by Fillion; passed unanimously

Marine Patrol Report:

Sgt Dan Semosky, SP, reported that the main season has been completed and that patrols will continue in September, weather dependent. Dan also reported the main issues on the lake this year were operation without proper PFDs and he noted that Leaps of Faith much appreciated donation of many life jackets allowed the patrol to pass out PFDs as needed.

Publicity/ Public Awareness:

Gary Fillion , noted that he expects to get an LZA website operational before the end of the calendar year.

Water Quality / Grants Report:

Gary Fillion, reported that the second weed treatment was done successfully and at a substantial discount. Early results are that the treatment has been helpful in reduction of milfoil. Final reports will be announced once they are received from the consultant.

Boats and Motors Report:

No report but boats are operational and in good order

Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:

None.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business

- Brief discussion on drawdown date which were not know at the time of the meeting.
- Reminder by Gary Fillion that attendance and participation is essential.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jerry Isleib (seconded by Gary Fillion); motion passed unanimously; Gary Fillion, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bob Mouchantat

The minutes are not considered official until approved at the next regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority to be held on Tuesday October 3, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Monroe Town Hall, 8 Fan Hill Road, Monroe, CT. .