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Newtown Roxbury Southbury

MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL – ROOM 209 7:30PM

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u>: First Vice Chairman S. Young (in Chairman G. Petriccione's absence) began the meeting at 7:30pm.

<u>Members Present</u>: First Vice Chairman S. Young, Second Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti, Treasurer B. Woerner, J. Curren, R. Johnson, M. Digirolamo, B. Piepho, J. Ginnetty, A. Michener. A.J. Murphy, J. Forlenzo, and M. Carrington (arrived at 7:50pm)

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: A motion was made by Treasurer B. Woerner, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to approve the LLA August 7, 2018 Meeting Minutes with the following amendments: under Correspondence, add to last sentence that Project completion date is August 2021; under Committee Reports strikeout Public Relations Committee. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Scott Conant, FOTL, Chief John Puglisi, Matt Donadio, and Chris Rosado

CORRESPONDENCE: Phyliss Sherr, Candlewood Lake Association regarding mapping.

OFFICER REPORTS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: No report

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer B. Woerner stated that he's working to finalize the wording in the audit.

B. Piepho stated that First Light submitted to FERC the following draw down schedule: Shepaug – October 26 – November 9, 2018 and Zoar – November 10 – December 6, 2018.

Scott Conant, FOTL, stated that AER has been hired to collect all studies and also the status of the Management Plan. AER has provided a report, and FOTL will review and forward to LLA members. He also reported that there will be a public forum on Friday, September 28, 2018 at 7:30pm at Town Hall. Findings will be presented at that time. FOTL will present their reaction to the report. Weed removal companies will be invited to the forum for their input and recommendations. There will be a Q/A session. All LLA members are invited to attend.

Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi stated that he met with Second Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti and A.J. Murphy last month regarding staffing issues and scheduling. He also stated that patrol is back working on the weekends. He reported that the fuel system is working well with Echo Bay. Chief J. Puglisi discussed the vehicle recovery in the lake that was discovered during a training dive. Chief J. Puglisi stated that he

would like the other towns to be informed that patrol will be on the lake every weekend until the end of October.

Second Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti stated that he has been working with Chief J. Puglisi regarding patrol, and pay rate compensation. It was also decided that Chief J. Puglisi will report directly to Second Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti. Second Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti will review the SOP and share his thoughts.

OLD BUSINESS:

*<u>Motion to remove Greg Petriccione as LLA Chairman</u> – after discussion, First Vice Chairman S. Young passed out ballots. The outcome of the sealed ballots is as follows: 6 Yea votes, 2 Nay votes, and 4 Abstain votes. Motion carries 6-2-4.

After voting all officers move up one position. B. Piepho volunteered for the open Second Vice Chairman position for two months.

*<u>Dock Project Update</u>: First Vice Chairman S. Young reported that the dock project is moving slowly, but progress is being made. He also stated that Charlie Weeks has taken measurements which will be sent to Sweden for production. First Vice Chairman stated that Tucker will reply by Thursday regarding brackets. Fencing around work area to be replaced.

*<u>Vacancies</u>: Chairman S. Young reported 2 vacant seats for New Milford. He also stated that a person of interest from New Milford may come to the October 2018 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

*Invasive Management Plans with FOTL: This agenda item was discussed under S. Conant's, FOTL report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

<u>LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE</u>: J. Curren stated that he met with FOTL regarding the management plan and summarizing the various species in the lake and options.

<u>LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE</u>: M. Carrington stated that he spoke with local representatives and no one is looking at legislation until after November.

<u>COMMUNICATION & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE</u>: J. Ginnetty stated the template has been created for the new LLA logo. He also stated that he is waiting for succession to take place before assigning email addresses. There will be one email assigned for each town.

<u>ANY OTHER ITEMS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD</u>: Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi stated that the Stratus is being utilized by the Candlewood Fire Company and they are making good use of it.

First Vice Chairman S. Schifilliti, Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho, Treasurer W. Woerner, and M. Digirolamo will work together to create the budget.

Chairman S. Young spoke about recent articles in The News Times regarding the Danbury Waste Water Treatment Plant. Last week the City Council members agreed to pursue the referendum by a vote of 13-1. The Council must vote once more at its September 5th meeting to finalize the referendum in time for the state deadline and place on the November ballot. The vote will require all 14 votes in favor.

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Second Vice Chairman P. Piepho reiterated on Pittsfield passing their budget for a phosphorus upgrade. This project has a completion date of August 2021. He also commented on the Danbury Waste Water Treatment Plant, saying that if Danbury does not comply, penalties will be steep.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: A motion was made by A.J. Murphy, seconded by J. Ginnetty, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.