



Lake Lillinonah Authority
PO Box 568, Brookfield, CT 06804

Regular Meeting Minutes
Tuesday November 5, 2024
Via Zoom
7:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman S. Young called the meeting to order at 7:36pm.

Members Present: Chairman S. Young, 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, Treasurer B. Woerner, B. Waslensko, M. Wurtmann, M. Digirolamo, K. Lee, S. Lee, C. Read, A. Strothers, R. Johnson, J. Ginnetty and C. Symes

Absent Members: 2nd Vice Chairman V. Young, J. Curren, and T. Ferranti

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to approve the LLA October 1, 2024 Meeting Minutes as written. Motion carries unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman S. Young introduced Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi, and R. Winninger

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman S. Young reported receiving correspondence regarding Hydrilla treatment for next year.

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 that the boats, docks, boats, and fuel tank have been removed.

OLD BUSINESS:

***Vacancies** - New Milford -1, Southbury-1

***Kimberly Clark** – No report for this meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

***Current Budget Discussion** – 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti identified the replacement schedule as follows; boats are 25 years and motors are 5 years.

After discussion, a motion was made by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, seconded by K.Lee, to accept the Budget as presented. Motion carries 11-0-2.

***2025 Officer Slate** – A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to nominate the slate as it exists and was presented. Motion carries unanimously.

Chairman S. Young requested that if anyone is interested in being on the Executive Board to contact him.

***2025 Schedule of Meetings** – A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to approve the LLA 2025 Schedule of Meetings as presented. Motion carries unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LAKE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: Chairman S. Young stated that the 2024 herbicide treatments for Hydrilla were partially effective. It can take years to eradicate. Chairman S. Young read a letter from Kendra Kilson, research scientist, at NE Aquatic Research, and hired by First LightPower. They are performing the lake survey for invasive aquatic weeds.

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 reported that the buoys, dock, boats, fuel tank have been removed. The generator will be moved from its existing location and requires maintenance. He also reported that there was a buoy with numerous bullet holes. Also the upstream gorge buoy is caved in and cracked.

Marine Patrol Chief J. Puglisi read the summary of the LLA Marine Patrol Activities for the 2024 boating season as follows:

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 #2, 10' Boston Whaler had engine issues and was out of service for several weeks at the end of this season. There were 8 POST-certified officers, 8 Lake Patrol Officers (LPO) and 1 active assistant for 2024.

A total of approximately 1605 man hours were patrolled in 2024. Patrol had 453 vessel contacts which resulted in 275 verbal and written warnings; 268 inspections; and 53 requests to vacate due to trespass and equipment violations. Patrol had 64 documented boater assists and numerous debris removal. Assisted the following agencies: Brookfield Police Dive Team, Bridgewater Fire/Ambulance, CSP Troop A, Newtown Police, New Milford Fire, DEEP Encon Police, and New Milford Police several times throughout 2024 for assorted emergency service needs.

We used approximately 2356 gallons of fuel during this boating season. We had a credit of 183.5 gallons at the end of the season.

FISH STOCKING COMMITTEE: C. Read stated at last month's meeting that Northern Pike is priced at \$24.00 per fish instead of \$20.00 per fish.

ANY OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED: Chairman S. Young requested anyone that is interested on being on the Executive Board to contact him.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by M. Digirolamo, seconded by 1st Vice Chairman S. Schifillitti, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 10:00pm.