

LAKE LILLINONAH AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 1, 2014
BROOKFIELD TOWN HALL
ROOM 209
7:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: Chairman G. Petriccione called the meeting to order at 7:35pm.
Present for the Board: Chairman G. Petriccione, First Vice Chairman S. Young, Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho, S.Bot, S. Ward, S. Howard, E. Racz, J. Ginnetty, R. Carley, A.J. Murphy, Alan Michener, Bill Pelletreau and Doug Vain.
Absent Members: Treasurer L. Leaden and B. Woerner

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by First Vice Chairman S. Young, seconded by R. Carley to approve the minutes from the Lake Lillinonah Authority March 4, 2014 Regular Meeting as written. Motion was passed unanimously.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Chairman G. Petriccione introduced Greg Bollard.

CORRESPONDENCE: Chairman G. Petriccione stated First Light approved Fish Stocking (450 largemouth bass & 450 northern pike). Their check should be in our P.O. Box. Chairman Petriccione reported First Vice Chairman S. Young received correspondence from Mike Payton after inquiring if there might be some type of grand opening/ribbon cutting ceremony once Ramp #133 is opened. Mike responded that yes they are planning on a ribbon cutting but not until about April 24th.

OFFICER REPORTS:

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Chairman G. Petriccione stated he has received a report Debris on Lake Lillinonah-2013 which was drawn up by FOTL and LLA. He would like members to review it as it will be sent out at the end of this week. Let Greg know if you approve your name being on this report ASAP.

FIRST VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: First Vice Chairman S. Young reported he has interviewed 3 possible candidates for the lake patrol. Chairman G Petriccione has spoken to New Milford Police Dept. and they will not let their police carry two badges. Danbury, Bethel, Newtown and Southbury will post for our lake patrol openings.

SECOND VICE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT: Second Vice Chairman B. Piepho stated that he attended a meeting on 3/3/14 at the town hall regarding the Blue-Green Algae Bloom problem which was well attended by all the health directors. Cyanobacteria is said to be as toxic as snake venom. LLA plans to post signage and educate the public through an awareness program concerning this issue. B. Piepho also stated once this scum washes up on shore and dries, the spores become airborne and can be inhaled. Greg Bollard mentioned the worst time on Lake Lillinonah for the Blue-Green Algae Bloom usually begins mid-July and dissipates sometime in September depending on the weather. This toxin can cause liver failure in a dog within 36 hours. It is prudent that this information be shared with the public. **Don't swim in the scum!**

TREASURER’S REPORT: No Report as L. Leaden was absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

First Light – Chairman G. Petriccione reported that the S. Bot is editing the bylaws. If you have any suggestions or input, please e-mail S. Bot. We are hoping to get the revised bylaws to the lawyers by the middle of May. First Vice Chairman S. Young suggested we revise the section about the standing committees.

The LLA Annual Report was presented by Sharon Ward. Motion was made by Sharon Ward, seconded by Ross Carley. Motion was passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

Vacancies: Chairman G. Petriccione reported the following vacancies; Brookfield-1 and Southbury-2.

Website Review: J. Ginnetty explained what he has done and plans to do to bring our website up-to-date. He also passed out a handout siting what needs to be addressed on our website. Jim plans to meet with Diane Cerasoli regarding posting documents, etc.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

Our guest, Greg Bollard, presented a request for a contribution in the amount of \$3,000.00 from LLA for a research project titled “Changes in nutrient and algal toxin concentration in Lake Lillinonah over time and space”. The data collected in this project will help us understand how nutrient concentration changes year to year due to weather and nutrient loading as well as how nutrients are transported within the lake.

Brian Piepho told members about a young man who has fished our lake since he was a boy who placed 2nd in the Bassmaster’s Tournament this year. This is quite a feat and the members might be interested in placing an advertisement regarding this story. It is great publicity for Lake Lillinonah and the young man who is living his dream.

Chairman G. Petriccione introduced 2 new members; Bill Pelletreau representing Newtown and Doug Vain representing Brookfield. Welcome to the LLA, gentlemen!

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made by Sharon Ward, seconded by Shannon Young, to adjourn the meeting. Motion was passed unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 9:45pm.

