# LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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#### Member Towns

## Monroe-Newtown-Oxford-Southbury

The regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday, May 7,2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Southbury Town Hall.

Commissioners Present:
Ray Hoesten, Chairman
Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer
Carolyn Wilson, Secretary
John Downs Jr.
Bob Bowolick
Ed Kusinski
Bob Sauve
Dick Speer
Frank Cavallo

Absent: Monroe Vacancy Jerry Isleib Gary Filion

Ray Hoesten, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p,m.and welcomed Tom Hennick, Ct FOI,Freedom of Information, Public Education Officer,who will provide an FOI Inservice at tonight's meeting.

## **Secretary's Report:**

A motion to accept minutes as read from April 2,2013 meeting was made by Bob Mouchantat (seconded by Bob Sauve) and approved unanimously.

#### **New Business:**

Tom Hennick, FOI Public Education Officer, stated that he is available to Towns, Committees etc for FOI educational purposes. Tom presented an FOI Inservice that included i.e. Laws, Meeting: types notices, and quorum; Minutes: content, timeliness of distribution and distribution, audio and videotape guidelines, public comments, Executive Session, sales, personnel and records, etc.

# **Public Comments:**

Anthony D'Angelo stated that he was happy that LZA will have 41, forty-one, acres treated and that a Post Treatment Survey will be done; requested Lake Buoy information be discussed tonight.

#### **Marine Patrol Report:**

Sgt.Dan Semoski \$P, reported that LZA Marine Patrols will start on Saturday, May 18,2013 and that three primary Marine Patrol drivers will be Bill Cannon, Frank Purcella and Carl Seiling, who are present tonight at the meeting.Dan discussed the drivers pay rate explaining that two years ago the rate was decreased from \$19, nineteen, dollars to \$15, fifteen, dollars due to fiscal issues and requested that the salaries be raised by \$2,two dollars, this year to maintain employment, show appreciation and recognize their expertise and experience .Bob Mouchantat made a motion( seconded by Bob Bowolick) to increase the LZA Marine Patrol drivers salaries from \$15, fifteen, dollars to \$17, seventeen, dollars; a discussion ensued and the motion was passed with one abstention:Frank Cavallo. Bob Mouchantat,Treasurer will send LZA drivers an email regarding the pay rate.Sgt Semosky stated that he and Bob Bowolick will test drive the LZA boats and install the radios prior to May 18,2013; he also stated that the Stevenson Dam Roadway was closed last weekend for two hours to accommodate the Sandy Hook Motorcycle fundraiser participants.

## **Correspondence and News Clippings:**

Bob Mouchantat distributed Lake Candlewood Authority minutes.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as reported by Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer was made by Bob Bowolick (seconded by Frank Cavallo) passed unanimously. Bob Mouchantat reported that this year the First Light donation was \$10,000, ten thousand, dollars au lieu of \$3000, three thousand dollars.

# **Publicity/ Public Awareness:**

Ed Kusinski reported that the LZA website will include a Boating Safety reminder and will follow up with i.e. The Newtown Bee and Voices for articles.

# Water Quality / Grants Report:

Ray Hoesten, Chairman, reported that water sampling will be scheduled and Gary Filion, Vice Chairman will discuss Buoy Placement etc. at the next meeting.

## **Boats and Motors Report:**

Bob Bowolick reported that the boats have been launched and that he will check them tomorrow and install the First Aid Kits and remove expired items; Bob will check with Carl at Lakeside Marina regarding a spare rebuilt propeller for each boat and obtain estimates for canvas covers for console and radios , which he will submit at the June meeting.

#### **Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:**

Bob Bowolick reported that a Safe Boating Course will be conducted on Saturday, May 18,2013 at the Oxford American Legion Hall; a Vessel Examination/Safe Boating Day will be held on Saturday, May 25,2013 at the State Boat Ramp in Southbury; some LZA members will participate; Bob distributed the 2013 Ct Boater's Guide to LZA members and Lakeside Marina and will distribute them at Safe Boating Day,also.

## Unfinished Business:.

Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer, made a motion (seconded by Frank Cavallo) to add Weed Harvester to the agenda; motion passed unanimously. Ray Hoesten, Chairman, stated that he has been in contact with Aquatic Control since Gary Filion, ViceChairman, placed an ad on the internet to sell the Weed Harvester and Trailer; Aquatic Control expressed an interest in its purchase; Ray met with an Aquatic Control representative, who viewed the Weed Harvester and Trailer and offered \$26,500, twenty-six thousand five hundred dollars, for it as is Bob Bowolick made a motion (seconded by John Downs Jr.) to sell the Weed Harvester and Trailer as is for \$26,500 to Aquarion Control; upon discussion,Bob Bowolick withdrew the motion. Bob Mouchantat,Treasurer, made a motion (seconded by Bob Bowolick) to authorize Ray Hoesten,Chairman, tto sell the Weed Harvester and Trailer for an amount ranging from \$22,000, twenty-two thousand dollars to\$ 27,000,twenty-seven thousand dollars, as is, to Aquarion Control; the motion passed unanimously. Bob Bowolick will mail the Weed Harvester booklet to Ray Hoesten, Chairman.

#### **New Business:**

Dick Speer will check with Bernie Litzner tomorrow regarding the removal of the old small Weed Harvester from the Southbury Town Property as requested .Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer, requested that Ray Hoesten, Chairman, contact Joel Zeisler re Leaps of Faith.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer, (seconded by Bob Bowolick) Ray Hoesten, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 9:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Carolyn Wilson,Secretary

The minutes are not considered official until approved at the next regular meeting of the Lake Zoar

Authority to be held on Tuesday, June 4,2013 at the Monroe Town Hall Room 204.