

# LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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## Member Towns

Monroe-Newtown-Oxford-Southbury

The regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday,October 1,,2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Monroe Town Hall.

### Commissioners Present:

Ray Hoesten,Chairman  
Gary Fillion,Vice Chairman  
Bob Mouchantat,Treasurer  
Carolyn Wilson,Secretary  
Ed Kusinski  
Dick Speer  
Frank Cavallo  
Jerry Isleib

### Absent::

Monroe Vacancy  
Southbury Vacancy  
John Downs,Jr.  
Bob Sauve

Ray Hoesten, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p,m...

### **Secretary's Report:**

A motion to accept minutes as read from the September 3,2013 meeting was made by Dick Speer, , (seconded by Gary Fillion,Vice Chairman) and approved unanimously.

### **Public Comments:**

Anthony D'Angelo asked if the Weed Treatment Report was ready,what LZA public Reports are kept,and what rules are followed re an abstention vote. Bob Mouchantat,Treasurer replied that these questions were answered at the June 4,2013 LZA meeting and recorded in the minutes; Gary Fillion ,Vice Chairman, will report re the Wed Report process tonight.

### **Marine Patrol Report:**

None.

### **Correspondence and News Clippings :**

Carolyn Wilson,Secretary,reported that William Ferris, a former LZA Marine Patrolman, had died in September.

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

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as reported by Bob Mouchantat,Treasurer, was made by Carolyn Wilson,Secretary: (seconded by Ed Kusinski) was passed unanimously .Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer, reported that the LZA Annual Audit was done by Colbert,Lisi and O'Byrne,LLC and approved ,the LZA insurance was paid and the FY 2013 surplus checks were distributed to the towns in the amounts of \$4912.80 to Newtown,Oxford and Southbury; and \$4043.80 to Monroe; the amounts were based on the budget allocation from each town. Bob distributed the LZA Financial Statements June 30,2013 ,the LZA FY2013 Surplus Letter to each Town,the LZA Annual Report July 1,2012 through June 30,2013 and also distributed an LZA Budget Worksheet Draft to each LZA member for review and discussion at the November LZA meeting.

### **Publicity/ Public Awareness:**

None

**Water Quality / Grants Report:**

Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman, reported that he, Ray Hoesten, Chairman and George Knoeklin, toured Lake Zoar last Friday and evaluated the effectiveness of the weed treated areas as very good; they identified approximately thirty –one acres more that need treatment i.e. Riverside Sandbar, and area adjacent to Monroe Launch, Northeast side of Southbury Beach and North of skirun to Shady Rest, Oxford Beach and Boatramp; forty-one acres were treated this year; Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman will discuss the recommended areas, which would total approximately seventy-three plus acres with George Knoeklin, who will discuss the proposed weed treatment and approximate cost at the November LZA meeting. The Lake Zoar drawdown is scheduled for October 19<sup>th</sup> through October 26, 2013. The LZA Commissioners were requested to send emails regarding visible hazards to Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman. Bass Fishing Tournaments are scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013. A Cedarhurst resident noted his concern in an email regarding an April boat sinking and the gas and oil spill into Lake Zoar; a reply email noted that the boat needed to be maintained and covered properly. Frank Cavallo noted that Southbury is discussing the usage of Calcium Chloride au lieu of sand during the winter, which would improve water quality.

**Boats and Motors Report:**

Dick Speer reported that he met with Bob Bowolick regarding maintenance of the boats and winter concerns. Dick will add taglines to the Life Rings and check the option of manual operation of the spotlights; one boat will be winterized now and the other will remain for awhile for emergencies.

**Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:**

None.

**Unfinished Business:**

Carolyn Wilson, Secretary, reported that letters were sent regarding LZA vacancies to First Selectmen Ed Edelson, Southbury and Steve Vavrek, Monroe; Jerry Isleib reported that he spoke with Selectman Steve Vavrek, Monroe regarding the vacancy. Ray Hoesten, Chairman, requested that the LZA Bylaws be reviewed for discussion at the November meeting

**New Business:**

Ed Kusinski will enhance the LZA website in the Spring re: i.e. buoy placement. Ray Hoesten, Chairman, requested that each member check the zebra mussel hotels and report at the November meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer (seconded by Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman) Ray Hoesten, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 8:20 p.m.

A motion to reopen the LZA Meeting at 8:25 p.m. was made by Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman (seconded by Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer) passed unanimously.

**Marine Patrol Report:**

Sgt. Dan Semosky, SP, reported that the patrols noted many kayakers who were not wearing PFD's; the patrols removed much debris from the lake, black tow straps have bridles and are hooked low and work very well, and towing occurred three times this season. He recommended that Boat Two be removed for storage and Boat One be left in the lake for awhile for emergency use; Dan also recommended that the boat seats be made more comfortable, Boat decals be replaced and Police be added as a decal on the front of the Boat top.

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, November 5, 2013 at the Newtown Town Hall.