

LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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The January regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 7:00pm at the Southbury Town Hall.

Commissioners Present

Ray Hoesten Ed Kusinski Bob Mouchantat Dick Speer John Downs Gary Fillion <u>Commissioners Absent</u> Jerry Isleib Carolyn Wilson Frank Oxford Vacant Position Southbury Vacant Position Monroe Vacant Position

Ray Hoesten, chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Public Comments:

Tony D'Angelo was present

Secretary's Report:

- Secretary was not in attendance.
- December meeting minutes were approved with 1 minor correction (Brian Woods from First light was not present on the lake tour associated with the buoy/hazard marking project)

Treasurer's Report:

Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer presented the report which was approved.

Marine Patrol Report:

No report

Publicity/Public Awareness Report:

No correspondence or news clippings

LZA website has been down, follow-up with the host will be done

Water Quality & Grants Report:

- Gary Fillion reported on semi-annual meeting on invasive species including that zebra mussels have become prominent in Lake Zoar and Lillinonah but not candlewood since there has been no pump up of Housatonic River into candlewood. Work is continuing toward installation of a CO2 system at the head of the river to reduce Zebra population.
- Gary with Ed Kusinski to enhance the information on the website related to zebra mussels including links for things like proper boat cleaning before and after launching. This to include working with WestConn to convey their findings and recommendations.
- There is ongoing DNA testing to help identify source of zebra mussels with the goal of prevention and reduction of the expanding population.
- Gary to be setting up a presentation from Mitch Wagner (WestConn)

Boats and Motors Report:

- John downs reported that the initial quotes to replace the radios in the patrol boats is \$4000 to \$5000 installed
- Dick Speer reported that the mounted spotlights will have to be replaced and he is researching best solution and costs

Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:

No report

Unfinished Business:

- More discussion to occur on the replacement of the radios including deadlines and documented sign off from the member towns on the radio plan
- Discussion is needed to determine potential financial support/donation to NUSAR
- Ray to send letter 1st Selectmen requesting appointment of the open commissioner slots (a couple which have been open several months)
- Bob to check out status of 2014 Leaps of Faith events.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm.

The minutes are not considered official until approved at the next regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority to be held on Tuesday, February 4th at the Monroe Town Hall.