



LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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The April regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday, November 4, 2014 at 7:00pm at Edmond Town Hall (Newtown).

Commissioners Present

John Downs
Ed Kusinski
Bob Mouchantat
Dick Speer
Frank Cavello
Gary Fillion
Jerry Isleib
Ray Hoesten
Gary Dennen

Commissioners Absent

Oxford Vacant Position
Monroe Vacant Position
Carolyn Wilson

At 7:00 pm, Ray Hoesten, chairman, called the meeting to order with 9 of 10 current members present.

Public Comments:

Tony D'Angelo was present and commented that he would like to see a copy of the follow-up report to the annual weed treatment.

Secretary's Report:

- Secretary was not in attendance.
- It was noted that the October regular meeting was not held.
- September meeting minutes were approved

Treasurer's Report:

Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer presented the report which was approved.

Marine Patrol Report:

- Dan Semosky reported patrols are completed for the season.

Publicity/Public Awareness Report:

Candlewood Lake authority distributed an email and release to remind residents that sweeping leaves and yard debris into the lake contributes to poor quality water. Leaves and debris foster a "mucky" lake bed and the growth of weeds.

Water Quality & Grants Report:

- Gary Fillion reported that the hazard marking buoy placements will be reviewed during the lake draw down and he will recommend any additional markings at the December meeting.
- Gary is coordinating the removal and storage of the buoys and also replacement of the "rock" text with appropriate shallow water text where applicable.
- The final weed report is expected by the next regularly scheduled meeting.
- There was much commentary on the noticeable and dramatic expansion of the zebra mussel infestation in the lake.

Boats and Motors Report:

- Dan Semosky to coordinate installation of the ne radios prior to the start of the 2015 boating season.
- Dick Speer to inspect boats and recommend equipment replacement and needs prior to the start of the 2015 boating season.
- The police officers and drivers have inquired as to replacement of the patrol boat bench seats with a chair style seat. Dick will review options and recommend seats that would meet this need and not restrict movement in the boats (concern is the width of the seats/aisle space that would be left after installation).

Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:

- No report

Unfinished Business:

- John downs reported that Oxford approved LZA use of Oxford grant writer. John will follow-up on the status of the grant LZA was seeking in September.
- Frank Cavello is coordinating publishing of a new Lake Zoar map and is soliciting commissioner feedback. Generally the plan is to list emergency and non-emergency police numbers, marina phone number, LZA address, website and email and some highlights from the current CT Boating Guide stressing safety.

New Business:

- Ray Hoesten reported he received a letter from Oxford inlands regarding an Oxford residents request to add a beach area. There is a permitting process through the CT DEEP for such requests and the LZA would discuss this if, and when, an application is presented to the LZA.
- Bob Mouchantat passed out preliminary FY 2015-2016 budget to be discussed and finalized at the December regular meeting.
- Calendar year 2015 meeting schedule was discussed – meeting schedule will follow the same rotation as 2014. Bob Mouchantat will distribute the schedule to the town clerks and commissioners.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

The minutes are not considered official until approved at the next regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority to be held on Tuesday, December 2nd at the Oxford Town Hall.