

# LAKE ZOAR AUTHORITY

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## Member Towns

Monroe-Newtown-Oxford-Southbury

The regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held Tuesday July 7, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Newtown Senior Center, Riverside Road, Newtown <Ct .

### Commissioners Present:

Ray Hoesten, Chairman  
Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman  
Carolyn Wilson, Secretary  
Jerry Isleib  
Frank Cavallo  
Gary Dennen  
Dick Speer  
Jamie Dobrovich

### Absent:

Monroe Vacancy  
Bob Mouchantat  
John Downs Jr.  
Ed Kusinski

Ray Hoesten, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with 8 of the 11 members present.

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

A motion to accept the minutes as read from the June 2, 2015 meeting was made by Gary Fillion (seconded by Jerry Isleib); motion was passed unanimously.

### **Public Comments:**

Terry Bogue, LZA Driver, and John Munino, Southbury resident, were in attendance. John stated that he was concerned re: the chemical treatment of Lake Zoar and its possible ecosystem and health impacts. Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman explained the chemical treatment processes including notification, sites, and DEEP approval, etc; Gary also explained that Candlewood lake is using sterile carp, this year and that other issues do affect the lakes, i.e. phosphates and sewage.

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

Articles from the Waterbury Republican American and Voices: photos of boat and jetski's at the Southbury Boat Launch and notice of Chemical Treatment of Lake Zoar were distributed by Carolyn Wilson, Secy.

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

Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer was absent thus Gary Fillion stated that finances are in good shape; Pre Treatment Weed Survey bill was received. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as discussed by Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman, was made by Jerry Isleib (seconded by Dick Speer); motion was passed unanimously

### **Marine Patrol Report:**

Terry Bogue, LZA Driver, reported that the lake was very busy on Sunday: a number of paddleboarders and kayakers did not have pfd's and were escorted from the lake, two boaters had skiers without observers and another skiboater had thirteen passengers on board and insufficient pfd's, no registration numbers on the boat (the driver stated that they were washed off both sides) three infractions were given. Terry requested that one hundred feet of braided poly line be purchased for each boat; Dick Speer stated that he would purchase the rope and distribute to each boat. Gary Dennen reported that a swimmer moved a buoy from its placement at the Riverside sandbar; Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman, will reposition the buoy. Sgt. Dan Semosky, SP, reported that he met with Monroe Police Officer Cofield re: the overcapacity boat and the infractions; one buoy was moved from the Pootatuck flats and is at Lakeside Marina; Gary Fillion will

recheck its placement. Dan reported that a last month two boaters were removed from the lake one for boating past the Danger sign at the Shepaug dam and another for fishing at the base of the dam.

**Publicity/ Public Awareness:**

No report..

**Water Quality / Grants Report:**

Gary Fillion, Vice Chairman, reported that a second Weed Chemical Treatment will be scheduled for late August or early September; the letter to the four Towns re spring removal of salt and sand debris from the roads was well received by Monroe and Newtown; the Weed Treatment has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 15, 2015 au lieu of July 8, 2015 due to First Light's request; and a Leaps of Faith Tournament is scheduled for Sunday, August 2, 2015 @ the Shady Rest waterfront area. A motion to have the LZA Patrol assigned to direct the Tournament Area boating traffic at LZA's expense was made by Jamie Dobrovich (seconded by Gary Fillion) ; the motion was passed unanimously.

**Boats and Motors Report:**

Dick Speer reported that both boats were down this weekend due to oil issues thus he will have Carl at Lakeside Marina change the oil and filters and verify Suzucki requirements. the boat engines are running well.

**Coast Guard Auxiliary Report:**

Carolyn Wilson, Secy, reported that the CGAux Safe Boating Courses are scheduled for the third Saturday of the month from 8a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oxford American Legion ,Route 67, Oxford Ct. Ray Hoesten ,Chairman inquired re if advertised in local newspapers; Carolyn and Terry Bogue, LZA driver will check and report at next meeting.

**Unfinished Business:**

Frank Cavallo stated that he will give the receipt for the Lake Zoar revised maps to Bob Mouchantat, Treasurer.

**New Business:**

Sgt Dan Semosky reported that he met with the LZA drivers and suggested that the hourly pay be increased to at least the former payment which was reduced a few years ago due to LZA finances; Dan suggested that the increment be discussed at the August meeting.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Gary Fillion (seconded by Frank Cavallo); motion passed unanimously; Ray Hoesten, Chairman, adjourned the meeting at 8:09 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, August 4, 2015 at 7:00 pm at the Oxford Town Hall, Rte 67, Oxford, Ct. .