

**AMSTON LAKE DISTRICT**  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting  
**MINUTES**

April 20, 2016 7:00P.M.

ALA Clubhouse, 16 Wood Acres Road, Amston, CT 06231

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**A. Roll Call of Officers and Directors:**

F. Hoisl, R. DeCormier, B. Lederer, B. Pelegano, M. Gut, L. Lenti, C. Lenti

Absent: M. Paul, D. Martin

**B. Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**C. Recognition of Guests, Residents, and Property Owners:**

Dana Lopez, 172 Deepwood Drive, Amston, CT

The traffic safety committee met with A. Tierney, Hebron Town Manager, K. Kelly, Director of Public Works, and T. Fenton, Hebron Town Engineer to discuss various traffic control devices. A. Tierney stated that the Town of Hebron would be willing to do the following: Contact the CT State Police for enforcement of the 25 mph speed limit, place mobile flashing speed detectors at certain locations, and post "speed limit strictly enforced" signs, check to see if there is a variance for painted walkways, and bear the cost of installing "slow pedestrian" signs if the ALD will bear the cost of the signs at \$1600 each.

More discussion is needed as to the proper course to take. A meeting with the Town of Lebanon is also needed and the committee is waiting to hear from them.

Kevin Grady, 189 Deepwood Drive, Amston, CT

When will the barley straw be put in the lake? Most of the bales need to be placed by H-11. And there are some old bales that need to be removed.

Comment: M. Paul spoke with D. Martin. It will be ordered this weekend and is delivered quickly. It can be put in next week. M. Paul also had a discussion with Hebron on H-11 and the long term plan.

The original design was a vortech unit. I would volunteer, if needed. Also, for traffic safety, removable speed bumps are available.

Jerry Horan, 7 Rondaly Road, Amston, CT

The plunge pool at Oakland right of way needs cleaning. Water has backed up and the pipe may be clogged. (C. Lenti contacted Kevin Kelly about cleaning the plunge pools on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>).

Carl Wool, 182 Deepwood Drive, Amston, CT

An inch of water is flowing over the spillway at the dam. Several cars and boats not belonging to residents were asked to leave. Other residents said they will put their passes on their cars. Renters need passes.

Comment: Renters must get passes from the owners of the residences from which they rent.

Bob Blackmore, 5Rondaly Road, Amston, CT

In last month's minutes, reference was made to paving the trailer parking area. More discussion is needed. Since the area is only used for a few trailers, the district and residents should not have to pay for it.

**D. Approval of Previous Minutes:**

L. Lenti made a motion to approve the March 16, 2016 minutes. B. Lederer seconded. All members approved.

**E. Receive President's Report:**

There will be two open positions for the board. The board members who are up for re election are willing to stay for next year.

Another meeting might be necessary before the annual meeting to finalize the last draft of the 2016-2017 budget.

**F. Receive Treasurer's Report**

March was another quiet month with few expenses. The financial report booklet was handed out. Discussion followed on various items.

All information is on the website.

**G. Receive Tax Collector's Report:**

The tax collector's report for March was read. Discussion followed.

**H. Receive Clerk's Report:**

Signs have been ordered both for the annual meeting and for pass dates. The clerk will obtain voter lists for Hebron and Lebanon. The grass cutting contract for two years was awarded to Mike Baldie Landscaping.

**I. Presentation of Correspondence:**

Emails were received concerning clearing a lot, a person interested in buying property, and information on QDS.

**J. Finance:**

The board had an extensive line by line discussion of the draft of the 2016-2017 budget. Another meeting might be necessary to finalize any remaining questions before the annual meeting.

**K. Receive lake Management Reports/Review Goals and Objectives:**

The barley straw will be put in the lake soon.

No new items to report.

**L. Consider and Act Upon Standing and Special Committee Reports:**

Lebanon Roads

Last year's budget needs were only an estimate. Bids were obtained. The committee did not aggressively spend all the money, i.e. didn't know how much the snow plowing would be. The goal was to bring roads into good condition. Our future plans are to bring the roads into a better condition. The committee is looking into the "millings" aspect. It could be tried on one road to see what the results are.

The drainage ditches improved the roads and are working well. And, who pays for a tree falling across the road---the town or the ALD?

Comment: Depends on where the tree was located.

Pavilion

The pavilion survey was sent to residents. Sixty-five responses were received in one day. We will determine what the final results are by next month's meeting.

Security

Using the same security company for the beaches and adding another security person, etc. were discussed. A decision will be made soon.

Dam/Duck Pond

Nothing to report.

Communications

Costs, etc. were discussed in finance section.

Boats, Docks, Rafts

A dock rental person is needed.

Some of the boats that were moved near the water company building on the Main beach have been removed.

Beaches and Rows

Spring cleanup is completed. The safety issue at Lollipop has been solved. Old RR ties with bolts exposed were removed and replaced by French drains. An apron will be placed at the Cove row parking lot. And the clerk will inform H. S. Plaut Environmental Co. to sift the sand at the Main Beach before swimming season begins.

Calendar and Tasks

Grass cutting will begin soon, porta potty ordered, passes and newsletter are being worked on, docks are installed, gate opening/closing will begin soon, and annual meeting agenda is being prepared.

A volunteer to place the buoys and barley straw is needed. And a volunteer to take over the dock rentals is needed.

**M. Old Business---Discussion and Possible Action:**

No report

**N. New Business---Discussion and Possible Action:**

No report

**O. Prepare Agenda for Next Meeting**

Preparations are being made for the annual meeting.

**P. Adjournment**

M. Gut made a motion to adjourn. L. Lenti seconded. All approved.

The regular meeting ended at 9:55 P.M.

Executive session began at 9:56 P.M. and ended at 10:03 P.M.

Eileen Curtin was selected as the new tax collector.

Respectfully submitted by

Claire Lenti, Clerk

Amston Lake District