

Amston Lake District

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

July 1st, 2009 7:00 P.M.

ALA Clubhouse, Wood Acres Rd., Amston, Ct.

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A. Roll Call of Officers and Directors

Present:

Dave O'Brien, President
Dave Martin, Director
Dave Arnold, Director
Mark Paul, Vice President
Ray DeCormier, Treasurer
John Connor, Director
Laurel Hennebury, Director

Absent:

Sherri-Ann Martin, Director
Joanne Wool, Clerk

Also Present:

Eileen Curtin, Tax Collector
Reggie Miles, Lake Health Coordinator
Carl Wool, Caretaker

B. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Dave O'Brien, President

C. Recognition of Guests

Scott Forgue, 277 Deepwood, Hebron

1. Storm drainage thru his property
2. Cove – Algae issue

Eric Glainer, 44 West Woodland Road

Owes back taxes, looking to work out a solution

Bill Slover, 140 Deepwood Dr.

Town road being undercut by drainage. Dave Martin to follow up.

Dr. Knoecklein was asked by the Board to be present at this meeting to address the algae issue and provide guidance for water testing and lake management at our lake. He commented on the algae issue in Mr. Forgue's cove. Barely straw is not a proven algaecide. He is not sure what caused algae in cove. Lots of nitrogen & phosphorous need to be in the cove to support this level of algae growth. There are two different types of algae growth in our lake.

The Dr. also stated there has been lots of rain and no sun this year. Cooler water temperatures that have occurred this year can prevent the barley straw from working properly. Copper sulfate is the only sure cure for removal of algae. Dr. Knoecklein is waiting for additional information from **Steve McComis**. The Dr. presented a 200 Scope of Work for Comprehensive Lake Management at Amston Lake to the Board.

D. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Dave Arnold to approve the minutes of the June meeting and John Connor seconded. All in favor except Laurel Hennebury who abstained. Minutes accepted.

E. Receive Clerk's Report

No Report. .

F. Presentation of Correspondence and Communication

No presentation of Correspondence. (See Exhibit F. attached).

G. Receive President's Report

Dave O'Brien gave a welcome to Laurel, our new Board member. Select vendor for snow plowing....move to contract with BSA to do snow plowing. Motion was made by **Dave Arnold** to do so and seconded by **Laurel Hennebury**. After discussion motion was withdrawn.

DEP communicating with George Hicks on Lebanon situation
Be mindful of use of consultants by Board of Directors

H. Receive and Act on Treasurer's Report

Ray DeCormier went over the current Treasurer's Report. A motion was made by **John Connor** to accept the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Cave Martin. All approved except **Dave Arnold** who was opposed. (See Exhibit H).

I. Tax Collectors Report

A motion was made by Dave Martin to move up the Tax Collectors Report to between item C & D. in the agenda. This was seconded by Mark Paul. The Report was read by Eileen Curtin.

J. Receive Standing and Special Committee's Reports

1. Dam – Dave Arnold stated that the leak at the Main Dam has increased to 20 gal. per min. The concrete spillway delaminating.....Karl Acimovic trying to get DEP permit accelerated....need to do repairs this year....36,000 estimate for work by L & R Enterprises. A motion was made by Dave Arnold to have a Special District Meeting on July 24th, 2009 at 7:00pm. to discuss repair plans for the dams and authorization of funding. Seconded by Dave Martin. All were in favor except Ray DeCormier who abstained.

2. Storm Drains – Dave O'Brien stated he spoke to Denise Rodriquez...she sent to Bob Gilmore...He will assist with dredging permit....meeting to be set up....plans to dredge...NE Cove & H-6.

3. Lebanon Wastewater Study – Per Dave Martin...WPCA formed...reviewed laws and responsibilities...6/25 meeting, 343 meeting...reviewed consultants study...looking at funding options...looking at other WPCA's.

4. Drinking Water – Ct. Water Co...annual report

5. Boats and Rafts – No Report

6. Weeds – No Report.

7. Communication – No Report

8. Ordinances – will run ad for ordinance update....changes in use of phorsphorus fertilizers

9. Security – update on State Police for 4th of July

K. Lake Management

Caretaker:

Carl Wool gave his Caretakers Report. (See Exhibit K). Boats tagged...\$500. To fix roads...sand on lollipop...\$600. estimate to remove brush at Lollipop walkway

Lake Health Coordinator:

No Report

L. Act on Remaining Items of Agenda....Old Business

1. Northeast Cove Status: Plan to be developed with Dr. Knoecklein.
2. Lake Goals built into a work plan: Mark Paul gave presentation.
3. North End...Possible Land Development: No discussion placed in minutes
4. Guidelines & Procedures for Ordinance Enforcement: Moved to August 5th agenda.
5. ALIA Request for Additional Security Passes: Discussion
6. Discuss & Act Upon Possible Change of Board Meeting Dates: Agreed to look at...2nd Wednesday of the month starting in January, 2010. No final decision.

M. New Business

1. Committee Website Summaries: Committee chairs and Mike Smith to write summaries and send to Dave O'Brien
2. SW Cove: Previous discussion covered this issue.
3. Eric Glainer Situation: Motion was made by Dave Martin that we postpone the tax sale of Eric Glainer house on the condition that he set up a direct payment plan to pay off his taxes. Seconded by Dave Arnold. Discussion on this motion followed. Dave Martin & Dave Arnold for, Ray DeCormier & John Connor against, Laurel Hennebury & Mark Paul abstained. Tie vote by Dave O'Brien against. Motion denied.

N. Prepare Agenda for Next Meeting

1. Guidelines & Procedures for Ordinance Enforcement
2. Discuss & Act Upon Possible Change of Board Meeting Dates

O. Adjournment

Sherri-Ann Martin moved for adjournment and Dave Martin seconded. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:02 pm.

Minutes taken by Mark Paul, Vice President
Submitted by Joanne Wool, ALD Clerk