# Amston Lake District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes

## March 20th, 2013 7:00 p.m.

ALA Clubhouse, 16 Wood Acres Road, Amston, 06231

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#### A. Roll Call of Officers and Directors

Present: D. O'Brien, R. Decormier, S. Martin, D. Martin, D. Moorcroft, L. Lenti, F. Hoisl Absent: J. Connor, M. Paul

- B. Call to Order at 7:00 pm
- C. Recognition of Guests, Residents and Property Owners' Petitions

#### Carl Wool, Deepwood Drive, Hebron

He provided a list of necessary repairs/needs for the ROWs as follows:

- Oakland ROW Needs (2) boat racks
   Check sand in detention pond and rain overflows washing out beach
- Main Beach Needs (1) boat rack
- Meadowbrook ROW boat rack is falling over
- Cove ROW Needs (2) boat racks
- Lollipop Beach (2) boat racks require repair
- Ryan Terrace Needs (1) boat rack
- Spafford ROW no changes needed

Carl was concerned that this should be completed for April 1<sup>st</sup>; D. O'Brien stated that work is in process and it will be completed as soon as possible

#### Kevin Grady, Deepwood Drive, Hebron

Barley straw – less was installed last year near Bass Lake Rd. and the algae was bad; there are elderly people who cannot clean up the algae from their waterfront so more bales will help; D. O'Brien clarified that K. Grady was requesting additional barley straw bales and labor to install them; Kevin agreed and volunteered to assist with installation

House demo-ed on Bass Lake Rd. – Kevin was concerned that silt fencing was not placed next to brook and waters flow into lake; D. O'Brien will discuss with Town of Hebron

#### Lorraine Long, Meadowbrook Rd., Hebron

It is not possible to walk the roads in Lebanon after the sewer installation; all agreed and explained that repairs by both CT Water and the sewer installers are in process and on-going; not possible to repair when ground is frozen and/or muddy

### Candy Kozlak, Woodside Rd., Hebron

Expressed her concern over the ROWs and their readiness for this season; asked if we had any complaints about CT Water's water supply - all said no

#### D. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Dave Moorcroft made a motion to accept the minutes as presented; L. Lenti seconded the motion and all approved unanimously.

#### E. Receive and Act Upon Clerk's Report

Nonprofit groups selling plants to raise funds and costs are low; R. Decormier made a motion to approve up to \$400 to be expended on plants for the ROWs; D. Martin seconded the motion and all approved unanimously. S. Martin and C. Lenti to work together.

- F. Presentation of Correspondence and Communication See attached list
- G. Receive President's Report

The Quit Claim Deed for the combining of the Old Firehouse property and the Main Beach property so the overall taxes decrease has been completed and copies will be mailed by Saturday

H. Receive Treasurer's Report

An additional \$1500 was approved from the Lebanon Snow Removal account for BSA due to damage caused to the plowing equipment during the huge storm; see attached

- I. Receive Tax Collector's Report
  - D. O'Brien read E. Curtin's report into the record
- J. Receive Lake Management Reports/Review Goals & ObjectivesD. Martin to set up meeting with Dr. Knocklein and the Board to discuss future goals
- K. Consider and Act Upon Standing and Special Committees' Reports
- Security F. Hoisl D. Dederer asked a few nonresident ice fishermen to leave; working on best use of budget dollars for upcoming season; Town of Hebron was very receptive to the Neighborhood Watch but Lebanon was not; compiling a list of missing street signs to be replaced for safety purposes
- Dam D. Moorcroft water is 2 inches over the spillway; he will provide a final dam repair report
  for our records; unsure replanted grass is going to survive geese are eating it; we need to install
  the white fence on the south side of the dam now that repairs are completed this was part of
  original budget for repairs
- 3. Storm Drains D. O'Brien vortechnic unit will be installed by the Town of Hebron soon; plan is on the way
- 4. Lebanon Sewer Project D. Martin April 14, 2013 Benefit Assessment Town Meeting is scheduled; orders to connect will be mailed in May/June; both CT Water and the sewer installers need to come back and do repair work on the dirt roads; we have no way to prove how much surface materials we have lost; the road repairs need someone else to be dedicated to their repairs as D. Martin works full-time and day time work is needed; the suggestion was made to approach Dave Arnold and ask if he would be interested in taking on the job
- 5. Drinking Water S. Martin nothing to report
- 6. Boats & Rafts R. Decormier Boat and car passes for this season have been ordered; distribution will be on (2) Friday nights, (3) Saturdays and on the Fourth of July.

Dock Raffle is being handled by JD working with R. Decormier as was done last year

Lou Lenti – Boat Racks – he researched the ROWs and Beaches and noted the number of boats located on each to come up with the following boat rack requirements:

Main Beach – 3
Elsmere ROW – 2
Francis Cove ROW – 1
Oakland ROW – at least 3
Meadowbrook ROW – 1
Cove ROW – at least 3 (can fit up to 6)

Lollipop Beach – 3 Ryan Terrace ROW – 1 (can fit 2) Spafford ROW – 2

Can fit approximately (9) boats on a rack – (4) canoes, (5) kayaks Rowboats and paddle boats will be given leaning poles to put them on their sides on the ground so they do not fill in the rain; looking for \$10,000 of approved funding; we will need to have a Special Meeting and get resident approval; samples are being built to select the best solutions; April 3 or other date to be placed in papers and on the website as soon as possible; agree on date via email and S. Martin will place ads and reserve Clubhouse

- 7. Weeds and Algae nothing to report
- 8. Communications R. Decormier start writing articles for the newsletter and send them to him
- 9. Ordinances D. Moorcroft made a list of subjects we need to consider as well as correcting issues with existing ordinances; the list is as follows:
  - Mooring
  - Large Boats
  - Jet skis
  - Blight
  - Car and Boat Passes
  - Fishing
- 10. Lebanon Roads D. Martin we need to hire someone to be a project manager and can be available to meet with involved parties during business hours
- 11. ROW Updates and Maintenance C. Lenti still finishing up Cove ROW and waiting for responses from Town of Hebron regarding fencing and curbing questions submitted last month
- 12. Calendar and Tasks R. Decormier when do we have our boat auction? Based upon the remaining boats collected by F. Hoisl, we have three un-sailable boats which need to be thrown out; there is no need for an auction this year; R. Decormier requested that the Martins put together a Fertilizer Flyer to remind people not to use phosphorous and not to fertilize within 20 feet of the water front as is now law in the State of CT
- L. Act on Remaining Items of Agenda....Old Business
  - 1. Budget Planning for 2013/2014 Season all agreed that we should present the budget we agreed upon at our last monthly meeting there aren't any changes
- M. New Business.....Discussion and Possible Action nothing to add
- N. Prepare Agenda for Next Meeting nothing to add at this time
- O. Adjournment at 8:57 pm L. Lenti made a motion to adjourn; F. Hoisl seconded the motion and all agreed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by, Sherri-Ann Martin, Clerk Amston Lake Tax District