

AMSTON LAKE BEACHES AND ROWS

Committee Meeting February 8, 2023

Minutes

ALA Clubhouse, 16 Wood Acres Road, Amston CT 06231

Call to Order: 6:05pm

1. Roll Call

Attending: Teri Nixon, Karen Patterson, Marge Nichols, Patty Arnestad

Absent: Kathy Feldman, Jan Garrett, Kathy Garvie, Karen Hinch, Lisa Salerno, Cherie Shaft, John Slauenwhite, Jodi Stubbings, Kelly Verret, Mary Withey

Guests: None

2. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

- Motion to accept minutes of last committee meeting on November 9, 2022 (no meetings in December and January) made by Karen Patterson, seconded by Marge Nichols, unanimously approved.

3. Reports from Steward or Committee Members regarding Beaches and ROWs

Main Beach: Donna Ciarfella has been clearing vines and wood debris, and raking leaves. Karen will contact contractor to remove. Karen/Teri to contact contractor regarding replacing the porta-potty enclosure, which is in disrepair. Karen to order porta-potty to be delivered April 1.

Elsmere: Nothing to report

Francis: No smoking sign is missing; Karen to coordinate with Frank Hoisl to order new one.

Meadowbrook: Nothing to report.

Cove: Grass that was planted in fall came in nicely; need to remove sticks by end of March. Teri to order additional bench to be installed. No smoking sign had fallen down; need to have re-installed.

Lollipop Beach: Karen to order bike rack and have it installed by April 1. Karen to order porta-potty to be delivered April 1.

Ryan Terrace: Teri/Karen to follow up with contractor regarding installation of railing for steps.

Manion: Nothing to report.

4. Old Business: None

5. New Business:

- Karen Patterson and Donna Ciarfella will be responsible for distribution and tracking of boat and beach passes for this fiscal year. There was discussion at ALD Board meetings about a multi-year pass, but a decision was made to do it for one year again for this fiscal year. We will be exploring other options for next year. Patty and Teri offered to assist with distribution of passes.

- 2023-2024 Budget: Teri and Karen are working on the committee budget for 2023-2024; it is due February 28th. If any committee members have input, please contact Teri/Karen ASAP, but no later than February 27.
- For next winter, we need to decide whether to go with sand bags rather than silt fences (this year, at Lollipop Beach, Oakland, Ryan Terrace, Cove & Ellsmere ROWs).
- Update from Lake Health Committee: the Lebanon sewer committee (LWPCA) is ordering magnets for Lebanon residents to address ongoing blockages due to wipes in the pipes; they will be distributed to Lebanon residents around the lake. Five Lebanon houses in the Amston Lake watershed are still not hooked up to sewers; the town of Lebanon is pursuing legal proceedings.
- We need to update the Beaches and ROWs web page; Karen to put together some suggestions for discussion at our next meeting.

6. Items for next agenda:

- Decide whether we need a Spring cleanup at Beaches and ROWs, and if so, determine date.
- Beaches & ROWs web page updates.

Meeting Adjourned 7:00 pm, motion made by Karen Patterson, seconded by Patty Arnestad.

Next Meeting Date: March 8, 2023 at 6pm at the ALA Clubhouse

Action Item #	Action Owner	Action Description	Date Assigned	Status/Closure	Date Completed
23-01	Karen Patterson	Determine whether to use sand bags or silt fences for winter. 22-23 locations: Lollipop, Oakland, Ryan Terrace, Cove & Ellsmere	2/9/23	Determine by October; coordinate with Lake Health Committee and contractor to install by end of November.	
23-02	Teri Nixon	Order additional bench for Cove ROW and coordinate installation.	2/9/23		
23-03	Teri/Karen	Coordinate with contractor to install railing on steps at Ryan Terrace ROW.	2/9/23	Teri/Karen to meet with contractor 2/17.	
23-04	Teri/Karen	Coordinate with contractor to rebuild porta-potty enclosure at Main Beach.	2/9/23	Note: porta-potties to be delivered April 1 st .	
23-05	Karen Patterson	Order new bike rack for Lollipop Beach and have installed.	2/9/23		
23-06	Karen Patterson	Inventory of signs at Beaches & ROWs; coordinate installation of new signs as needed.	2/9/23	Inventory completed 2/7/23. No smoking signs missing at Francis and Cove.	
23-07	Karen Patterson	Update Beaches & ROWs web page.	2/9/23		