

Hidden Lake Association

Regular Meeting
March 27, 2013
Approved Minutes

Opening:

The regular board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association was called to order at 6:45 p.m. on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at Burr Elementary School, Route 81, Higganum, CT by Laura Jenner, President.

Present:

Laura Jenner, President
Alan Stokke, Treasurer
Kim Wishart, Recording Secretary
Charlene Baulski, Financial Secretary
Mary Shea, Board Member (Term expires 2013)
Scott Sherman, Board Member (Term expires 2014)
Lloyd Pearson, Board Member (Term expires 2015)

Absent:

Catherine Serino, Vice President
Wayne Keeler, Past President

A. Approval of Minutes

Motion made to accept the meeting minutes of February 27, 2013. Motion carried to accept the meeting minutes as presented.

B. Treasurer Report

No tax collections were done for the month of February. We have a bank balance of 150,462.41 and of that 132,114.70 are in Reserves.

C. Tax Collector Report

Charlene is preparing the tax reports for the annual meeting.

D. Septic Report

No septic report, there is no septic pumping in the winter.

E. Road Committee

Road Commissioner is still needed.

Laura and Lloyd will work together to discuss the resurfacing of Hidden Lake Rd (at the South Cove).

Mary has put up the road signs and speed limit signs. Mary is requesting 2 “no outlet” signs, one for East Shore Dr. and one for Lone Pine Rd. A motion made and seconded to approve Mary to purchase 2 “no outlet” signs.

Mary presented a proposal from Bennett & Smilas Engineering, Inc. for the drainage improvement project for East Shore Dr. A motion was made and seconded to approve this proposal to move forward.

F. Lake Committee

Jeff Castellani, Representative from Lycott came to discuss the weed treatment of the lake. He described the treatments that we have done since 2009. The feedback overall was that we have done a good job maintaining the weed control. The general discussion was that the treatment from 2012 did not work very well. Jeff described that it was a systemic treatment and that we should see the effects of the 2012 treatment this spring. Jeff’s recommendation is that we use 2,4-D for a couple years in a row to target the lilies that we want to diminish and then use Aquapro as a maintainer. 2,4-D has some restrictions for use of the lake after application. We will have that information for the Annual Meeting. Hydro-raking was also discussed as a possibility for the beaches, (this will remove the decomposed material).

2009 we used 2,4-D (granular) (can be used while the lilies are still suspended in the water)

2010 we treated for pond weed.

2011 we used Sonar –Q (pellets) (can be used while the lilies are still suspended in the water)

2012 we used Aquapro (spray on the leaves) (must wait until leaves are surfaced to be used)

Jeff will write up a permit and send it to HLA and Laura/Scott will sign it and send it back with the check for the price of the permit.

G. Bylaw Committee

No report. Bylaw Committee still needed.

H. Audit Committee

Wayne and Elaine Keeler have retracted their offer to do an audit this year, due to recent health issues.

I. Web Committee

No report.

Old Business:

Discussion was held regarding blight-zoning law enforcements. The town is now beginning to enforce these laws. We will include this information in the annual letter, as well as our work projects, to include the weed treatments, snow removal, debris/brush removal, Shore Dr. drainage project, Road Signs, septic pumping, etc, to keep the Association members informed.

New Business:

Closing:

The next regular board meeting of HLA is scheduled on April 24, 2013 @ 6:30 p.m. at Burr Elementary School.

The regular board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by Laura Jenner.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Kim Wishart, Recording Secretary.