

Hidden Lake Association
Regular Monthly Meeting
August 30, 2018

Approved Minutes

OPENING: President Jay Cassella called the regular monthly board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association to order at 6:35 p.m. on Thursday, August 30th, 2018 at the Haddam Town Hall Annex in Haddam, CT.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jay Cassella, President
Dale Fiore, Vice President
Lori-Ann Hoberman, Secretary
Sheri Berger, Tax Collector
Alan Stokke, Treasurer
Victoria Nicholson, Board Member
Cindy Porriello, Board Member
Carolyn Chalifoux, Board Member

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Laura Jenner, Past President

ASSOCIATION MEMBERS PRESENT:

John Baulski
Phil Porriello
Jim Nicholson
Eleanor Profile
Eleanor Morrison
Jim Kearney
Barry Hoberman
Bob Kiehm
Sandra Kiehm
Cathy Sorino
Celeste Benoit
Mary-Beth Russo
Anthony Grandazza
Heather Edelson

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The approval of the July 30, 2018 minutes were reviewed. The minutes were approved and will be posted on the HLA website.
A motion to approve the minutes was made by Cindy Porriello and seconded by Victoria Nicholson.

B. TREASURER REPORT:

Alan Stoke reports that tax revenues are flowing in. The recent expenditures were for a tree removal, some postage and \$1200 for the new software for Taxes.
Lori-Ann Hoberman motioned that we approve the Treasurer Report and Carolyn Chalifoux seconded.

C. TAX COLLECTOR:

Sheri Berger states that so far we have collected \$42,569.21. The reminders for taxes will be going out the 2nd week of September 2018.

Jay Cassella asked if we were now on board with the attorney to do collections ?

Sheri replied, Yes.

Victoria Nicholson motions to accept the Tax Collector report and Dale Fiore seconds.

D. SEPTIC REPORT:

Anthony Grandazzo reports that originally there were (26) septic on the list and (4) were taken off due to foreclosures. This left (22) and (19) have been done so far.

E. ROAD COMMITTEE:

The Road Committee members are Peter Lombardo, Phil Porriello & Brian Polak.

Phil Porriello reports that there has been a lot of progress this past month, (August).

Sanitrol has completed the Hydro Jetting of the drainage pipes, they found one pipe on West Shore that needs to be replaced.

The "Ledge & West Shore Drainage" project has been completed by Infantino Property Service.

New catch basins and drainage has been connected to the existing drainage areas.

The culvert on West Shore, starting at Fairview has been cleaned and reworked to tie the entire project together. We should expect a noticeable drainage improvement especially in the Winter months and during heavy rains.

Some finish paving needs to be completed prior to chip sealing.

We are very happy with the work that Mike Infantino of Infantino Property Service has done on Ledge Road and we have retained him for the West Shore and Hilltop pipe replacement that is scheduled for Friday, September 7th. 2018.

We are also looking at some East Shore Drive drainage issues where flooding continues on Association property and that of property owner, Anthony Grandazzo. We hope to resolve this issue prior to the chip sealing.

We are currently looking to purchase a load of rip rap stone to fill culvert and drainage ditches. Such an expenditure is estimated to be about \$800 per truck load plus disbursement of the product into the areas. We are getting quotes for this service. A motion was made to move forward with this project by Dale Fiore and seconded by Lori-Ann Hoberman.

Comer is scheduled to Chip seal this September and we are working with them to secure all new drainage area's with pavement patching for proper chip sealing.

F. LAKE REPORT:

No report other than the pulling of stumps will continue during the month of September.

G. BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE:

"WOW" Wine On the Water flyers were passed out for the upcoming Beautification Committee event at the home of Bob & Sandy Kiehm at 109 East Shore Drive.

September 14, 2018 6:30-9:30 PM

\$10 p.p donation. *All proceeds to be used for Hidden Lake future plantings & beautification projects.

This committee is currently working on cleaning up around the mail box huts so that large flowering barrels can soon beautify these areas.

H. BY-LAW COMMITTEE:

The By-Law Committee chairman, Bob Kiehm organized a meeting of all By-Law committee members to look into the request of association members to change by-law section 41-A.

This committee met to investigate the legality and liability of such a change and came up with a language that is appropriate in changing this by-law.

A discussion commenced regarding the legality of calling a special meeting to allow association members to place votes on changing the by-law to allow electric trolling motors.

Jay Cassella continuously stated that the by-laws section 14 have nothing

to do with the BOG. It was decided that we await legal advice.

I. AUDIT COMMITTEE:

Alan Stokke presented the bank statement. Dale Fiore will review the bank statement with the results for the September meeting.

J. WEB REPORT:

It was brought up that there have been too many issues with posting on Facebook. Carolyn Chalifoux & Cindy Porriello agreed to assist Mary Shea.

K. SPECIAL PROJECTS:

None

L. OLD BUSINESS:

Tiger Carlson will be doing the repairs to all of the mailbox huts. The estimated cost of these repairs is \$800.00. Labor FREE. Tiger will be making the mail box huts on East Shore & West Shore as double deckers.

Carolyn Chalifoux motioned to accept the cost of these repairs so that Tiger could commence work & Victoria Nicholson seconded.

M. NEW BUSINESS:

It was noted by Victoria Nicholson that a "No Outlet" sign needs to be installed on West Shore, at the beginning of Ledge Road. Jay Cassella will take care of ordering one and installing it.

At 7:35 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The regular monthly board meeting of the Hidden Lake Association was held on August 30th, 2018 was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the Hidden Lake Association will be held on September 24th at 6:30 p.m. at the Haddam Town Hall Annex in Haddam, CT.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lori-Ann Hoberman
Recording Secretary