

Hidden Lake Association

Annual Meeting
Sunday May 20th, 2012
Approved Minutes

Opening:

The Annual meeting of the Hidden Lake Association was called to order at 1:10 pm on Sunday May 20th, 2012 at the Annex Building, Jail Hill Rd, Haddam, CT by President Laura Jenner.

Roll call of officers was done.

Present:

Laura Jenner, President
Alan Stokke, Treasurer
Kim Wishart, Recording Secretary
Charlene Baulski, Financial Secretary
Mary Shea, 3-year Board Member (Term expires 2013)
Celeste Benoit, 1-year Board Member (Term expires 2012)
Scott Sherman, 2 year Board Member (Term expire 2014)

Absent:

Catherine Serino, Vice President
Wayne Keeler, Past President

A. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from last years' meeting was read by Recording Secretary Kim Wishart. Motion made to accept the minutes of the Annual meeting on May 15th 2011. Motion carried to accept the meeting minutes as presented.

B. Tax Collector's Report:

. HLA Tax Collection Report – Annual Meeting May 20, 2012

Fiscal Year 07/01/2011 – 06/30/2012

The tax rate voted at the 2011 annual meeting is 3.2 mills with \$100 base minimum

Total Billable Properties 131

Note: +3 properties delinquent 10+ years

The Fiscal year began with:

A total collectable tax revenue of: 50,315.11 = Tax Due - Circuit Breaker Discount
(50,719.81 - 404.70)

Back Taxes Due:	6,693.92
Back Interest Due:	2,526.58
Collection Fees Due:	650.00
Tax Lien Fees Due:	204.00
Total Due:	60,389.61

Total Collected To Date: 49,413.82

Principal:	46,374.62
Back Taxes:	1,391.78
Interest:	1,387.06
Collection Fees:	200.00
Tax Lien Fees:	60.00
Credit:	.36

Total Deposits: 49,413.82

C. Treasurer's Report

The total revenue for the budget 2012-213 is 48,222.36. We had a transfer of 8,375.00 from the reserves.

Our Bank Balances (as of 4/30/2012)

Checking account \$2,083.61

Savings account \$29,399.03

Money Market \$105,961.46

Total = \$137,440.10

Reserves (as of 4/30/12)

Road Chip Seal Reserve \$23,867.50

Road Drainage Reserve \$21,192.09

Weed Removal Reserve \$ 4,071.29

General Reserve \$64,076.30

Total = \$113,207.18

D. Septic Report

29 septic systems were on the list for 2011 and 29 septic systems were cleaned in 2011. All but one was done by Cahill and the one not done by Cahill was found by Chatham Health District to be adequate.

29 septic systems are due to be cleaned in 2012. The mailings will go out on July 1st 2012.

E. Road Committee

Road Commissioner and/or committee still needed.

1. Mary gave a report regarding completing the drainage project on Shore Dr. Also being completed this year will be the catch basin at the corner of Shore Dr. and White Birch Rd.
2. Snowplowing Project. We need to edit our snowplow contract and put it out to bid for the upcoming 2012-2013 Winter season.
3. A question regarding the upkeep of "paper roads" (near the Archer property), and road signs (especially Meadow Rd/Lone Pine), "private drive sign and street sign on East Shore Dr. are both in need of repair, we also need a speed limit sign. There was also a question regarding the clean-up of trees/brush on the roads, question about upkeep/care of the beach and "is it okay for HLA members to clean the beach themselves?"

F. Lake Committee

Lake Commissioner > Scott Sherman

The Lycott Environmental Incorp. recommendations for treatment of the lake are:

Option A: small leaf pondweed and ribbon leaf pondweed utilizing Reward for a fee of \$4,700.00

Option B: floating leaf pondweed, ribbon leaf pondweed and small leaf pondweed in specific locations utilizing Aquathol K for a minimum fee of \$1500.00 plus \$850 per acre.

Option C: Yellow and white water lilies and watershield, utilizing the systemic herbicide, Aquapro during 2012 for a fee of \$1250.00 per day.

Motion made and seconded for Option C to be done twice for a total of \$2500.00.

Mr Waz would like to make the members aware that the area at the dam is also Hidden Lake Association Property.

G. Bylaw Committee

Bylaw Committee still needed.

H. Audit Committee

Wayne and Elaine Keeler did an audit and found a +10.00 in our favor. They will review the bank statements. *****

I. Web site Committee

No new web site information

Old Business:

None discussed

New Business:

This year's proposed budget presented by Treasurer Al Stokke.

We propose to keep the Mil at 3.2 and have a total in tax collection of \$49,000.00.

A motion was made for \$5,000.00 from the general reserves used for "clean up" fund.
Motion was seconded and approved.

A motion was made to accept the 2012-2013 Budget for Hidden Lake Association.
Motion was seconded and approved.

Discussion was held regarding the dates of lowering the lake. Oct 15th- Dec 15th are the proposed dates for lowering the lake.

Discussion was held regarding the properties around Hidden Lake Association which are considered "eye sores".

Election of Officers:

Please note that Laura Jenner, President and Kim Wishart, Recording Secretary requested to resign their positions but there was no interest from the Association Members to fulfill these positions.

Celeste Benoit wished to resign her Board Member position and John Baulski nominated Lloyd Pearson who accepted the position.

Laura Jenner, President
Catherine Serino, Vice President
Alan Stokke, Treasurer,
Kim Wishart, Recording Secretary
Charlene Baulski, Tax Collector
Scott Sherman, 1yr Board Member
Mary Shea, 2yr Board Member
Lloyd Pearson, 3yr Board Member

The next meeting will be held at Wednesday June 27th, 2012 at the home of Mary Shea.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm by Laura Jenner.

Minutes submitted by
Kim Wishart,
Recording Secretary