

POALH Board of Governors
Minutes of March 9, 2010

Present: J. Walter, D. Edgington, J. Jacoby, N. Kaplan, F. Odell, B. Sudell
Absent: A. Miles, S. Kumro, R. Brignano
Also Present: L. Griffin

The meeting was called to order at Jeff Walter's house at 7 pm. The minutes of January 20, 2010 were approved with one correction: "Norm reported that the DEP has stocked the lake each year and intends to do so again this Spring." Lee reported that Alice is recovering from a stroke and will be returning home soon. The board was happy to hear this and will send a "cheer" package.

Old Business: (1) The board reviewed the revised report of the By-laws committee, approving certain proposed revisions and modifying others as attached to these minutes. The By-laws committee's suggested changes of Rules and Regulations will be reviewed at the next board meeting. (2) Jeff reported that he spoke to the Planning Director for the Town of East Haddam who stated that the proposed plan to construct a pavilion on the ballfield would not affect the property's tax status. There was discussion about constructing a smaller shelter at 2nd beach, and perhaps 3rd beach, as an alternative. These ideas will be discussed with the membership at the June meeting. (3) Jeff reported that he testified against Bill 5268, which would allow special taxing districts to convert to a flat tax rate for all property owners. (4) Jeff reported that the budget request from the East Haddam Lakes Association to the Town is under review.

Financial Report: Lee presented a current financial report (copy attached). The board accepted the report as presented.

Committee Reports: (1) Social – Dave reviewed the summer calendar and several revisions were made. (2) Road and Beaches – John reported that the deadline for bids for leaves clean up and grass-cutting contracts is April 10th. (3) Parking and Security – Jeff reported that Sue has submitted applications to the DEP for swim lines for all beaches. She expects to receive permits in time for this summer season. (4) Recreation – Fred discussed several ideas for new activities this summer. These will be advertised in the Spring packet with a request for volunteers. It also appears that the tennis and swim instructors will return this year. (5) Norm reported that the 3rd beach clean up day is May 15th. This will include leaves removal.

New Business: (1) Fred raised an issue regarding the water company's rate request that is under review at the DPUC. We will invite a company representative to attend a future board meeting to discuss planned improvement projects. (2) The Spring packet will go out to the membership by April 24th. (3) It was requested that we invite Moira Boone to attend future board meeting, as she is able, so we can coordinate our communications. Jeff was reminded to post the November and January meeting minutes on the website.

The next meeting will be April 3rd at 2 pm at Lee's house. Jeff will invite the by-laws committee to attend the meeting so the board can explain by-laws changes.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 pm.

Recorded by Jeff Walter