

**Property Owners Association Lake Hayward
Annual Meeting
August 15, 2010
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The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. at the First Beach Pavilion by President Jeff Walter. Present at the roll call of the Board of Governors were Dave Edgington, John Jacoby, Sue Kumro, Jeff Walter, Fred Odell, Bonnie Sudell and Norm Kaplan. Absent was Ray Brignano. Also present was Treasurer Lee Griffin.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to waive the reading of the June 27, 2010 minutes. The minutes were approved.

President's Report:

Internet service feasibility is ongoing, but not at the pavilion. We are seeking a proposal for lakewide service.

Excavation costs to provide water at the pavilion are expensive (\$4,000 +/-). The subject was tabled.

There was considerable discussion regarding additional pavilions. There was little interest in a pavilion at the ballfield and some opposition so that idea has been dropped. The Board continues to explore costs and areas for Second and Third Beach pavilions. Sandra Zawistowski expressed concerns that we maintain the facilities that we have. Bob Sudell suggested that additional pavilions would spread out activities and reduce the impact of functions at First Beach. Joyce Bettencourt remarked that restraints had been placed on the Board, prohibiting them from initiating projects in excess of \$1,000 without Association approval. The Board will look into this limitation. Duff Benson expressed concerns regarding additional maintenance, insurance and security. Jeff asked that members email their thoughts on this matter.

Two dog swim areas have been identified, one north of First Beach and one off Glimmer Glen, near Third Beach. Jeff asked that volunteers to clear the areas see him after the meeting or email their willingness to help.

Jeff reminded members that the Board wants to use the website for communications during the off season. Sandra Zawistowski expressed concerns that the website is not "secure." Jeff will look into messages that some members are getting when logging on but reminded all that Moira Boone is the only person who can post to the site.

Treasurer Lee Griffin reported that members may contact him to review the financial records and the CPA review. A motion was made, seconded and passed to waive the reading of the CPA review. Lee reminded members to notify him with address changes and email addresses.

Jeff Walter recognized the efforts of Moira Boone in keeping the website up to date.

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Committee Reports:

Jeff sent a sign-up sheet around for volunteers for various committees.

Social – Dave Edgington was recognized for his efforts the past three years as social chair. He asked for members to volunteer to help with social events.

Roads and Beaches – John Jacoby is stepping down after ten years. He thanked the many people who have helped him.

Parking and Security – Sue Kumro reported that there were few problems this year and that the speeders caught by Police radar have not been Lake residents.

Recreation – Fred Odell passed around a sheet for volunteers to help with Lake Hayward Days activities. He thanked his volunteers, including at least two third generation Lake Hayward residents, Adam Thompson (Fishing Contest) and Julie Rizzo (Little Miss Lake Hayward). The start of Lake Hayward Days included an East/West Committee presentation, the Chili CookOff and the dance Saturday night. Other activities to come include: Monday – Bingo, Tuesday – open, Wednesday – Cake Walk, Thursday – Ladies Night, Friday – Little Miss Lake Hayward, Saturday – possible golf at Banner, swim races, beach games including a tug of war, the carnival with food and games, Sunday – Bike/Run/Walk.

East/West Committee – Linda Ryder-Munet reported an excellent turnout for the meeting Saturday morning. She directed members to the Chatham Health District website and our future newsletters for updates.

Bill Taylor remarked that he had volunteered in the past and had never been contacted. He asked that the Board follow up to ensure that those who wish to help are given the opportunity.

Old Business:

Weed Control – Tim Pelton has agreed to continue as our liaison with the weed control contractor. He stated that the weed control program is doing well, that the Lake is inspected twice a year for fanwort, and that there has been very little regrowth. He said that milfoil and nardia normal were on the DEP's radar. Randy Miller asked the cost of our next treatment. Tim believes that it will be about \$80,000. George Daniels asked how the fanwort gets in the Lake. Tim stated that it comes in on boats. Cliff Smith asked about the regulations regarding gas motors and if they addressed the tilt angle. It was stated that the regs do not, just that gas motors cannot be operated on the Lake. Keri Kerch remarked that water nymph was very aggressive. Fred Odell had a sample of the weed and Tim will bring it to the DEP's attention. Diane Saunders asked if inspections are checking for milfoil only and Tim said no.

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Jeff Walter reminded members that we are part of the Town of East Haddam Lakes Association and that the Town has a \$1,575 line item in the budget this year for inspections at Lake Hayward. He also asked for volunteers with grant writing expertise to pursue grants for the Eight Mile River Watershed.

New Business:

Bill Taylor asked for clarification regarding outboard motors. He stated that the prop must be out of the water and bagged, per DEP regs. He also stated that ATV's were not allowed on the ice. Sue Kumro will get a copy of the regs and report back. She stated that ice augers were not permitted either. Diane Nelson asked that we ask the State to post the regulations at the boat launch. Sue Kumro will check with the DEP.

Annual Budget and Mill Rate for 2011-2012 – A motion was made and seconded to approve the budget. Under discussion, Lee Griffin reported that the only significant change in the budget was a \$5,000 increase for maintenance. Mitch Geer remarked that if there was money in the budget for pavilions, they could be constructed. Joyce Bettencourt had a question regarding the line item for salaries for the Treasurer/Assistant Secretary. Lee explained that the function was being performed by one person. Sandra Zawistowski questioned the increase in the Police and Safety budget. Sue Kumro reported that the cost of services has increased and that Police cost us \$50 per hour. The budget was approved as presented. A motion was made and seconded to approve the mill rate of .0282. The motion passed.

Election of the Board of Governors –

The following slate was presented: First Beach with term expiring in 2012 – Pat D'Amato; Second Beach with term expiring 2011 – Dave Edgington; Second Beach with term expiring 2012 – Bonnie Sudell; Third Beach with term expiring 2012 – Norm Kaplan; Third Beach with term expiring – Gail Grzegorcak; At Large with term expiring 2012 – Larry Lusardi; First Beach continuing – Fred Odell; At Large continuing – Jeff Walter; At Large continuing – Sue Kumro. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the proposed slate.

Bylaws Revision –

A motion was made and seconded to approve the Bylaw Revisions. Joyce Bettencourt expressed concerns regarding an apparent conflict if we have dog swim areas. Jeff explained that the Board can adopt and modify the Rules and Regulations. The motion passed.

Promotional Items –

Gail Edgington will head up the committee this coming year.

Recognition of Board Members –

Jeff Walter presented John Jacoby with a plaque for his years of service. Ray Brignano and Alice Miles, not in attendance, will receive similar plaques. Joyce Bettencourt

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asked that it be put in the minutes that Dick Bailey be recognized for his countless years of service.

Bill Taylor presented the Board with a petition regarding smoking on the beaches.

Duff Benson asked that we recognize the 65th anniversary of VJ Day on Saturday, August 14th.

Sandra Zawistowski reported that the Garden Club will hold a plant swap on Saturday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. and that Ed Clark has been elected President.

A motion was made, seconded and passed for the Board to go out for dinner.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie F. Sudell
Secretary