

POALH Board of Governors
Meeting Minutes
August 19, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 9:25 a.m. by President Cari Eckert at the home of Cari Eckert, 277 Lake Shore Drive, East Haddam. Board members in attendance were Cari Eckert, Corinne Halliday, Gary Petersen, Don Smith, Bonnie Sudell, Bill Taylor and Adam Thompson. Ed Bader, Tax Collector, Jeffrey Conway and Rich Harmon also attended.

Newsletter Presentation: Prior to the start of the meeting, Jeff Conway and Rich Harmon presented their ideas for distribution of the newsletter in 2018. Cari asked that they come up with a proposal to manage the process for presentation and consideration.

Minutes: The minutes of the July 20, 2017 Board Meeting were approved as presented.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Wednesday September 13, 2017 at the home of Gary Petersen, 76 Wildwood Road, East Haddam.

President's Message: Cari received one complaint about a perceived right of way at the end of Longwood and a car parking there. The area of concern is not a right of way, but a driveway on private property.

As one of the ongoing properties' projects, Gary will be gradually surveying the rights of ways. Once identified, adjacent homeowners will be notified that we plan to clear them. Cari expressed her appreciation for retiring Board members Don Smith and Gail Miers. Two members have expressed interest in being on the Board, Jan DePratti and Neil Murphy.

The Connecticut Water Company will be flushing mains on Thursdays until November. Cari is working with Peter Paschke regarding the dangerous curves on Lake Shore Drive. They met preliminarily with Emmet Lyman, our First Selectman.

Cari said that Jan DePratti would be working on possible solutions to the problem of beach closings due to high e coli readings with Bill Taylor and Neil Murphy.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer: The Treasurer's report, presented by Ed Bader, was accepted and will be posted on the web site.

Tax Collector: Ed reported that 95% of taxes have been collected. The remaining 31 properties, owned by 26 members, account for approximately \$13,000 in unpaid taxes. The majority of these are chronic delinquent property owners. Demand notices will be sent out November 15, with payment due by December 31.

Committee Reports:

Properties: Gary reported that the tree in the middle of the Third Beach parking lot would be removed by Asplundh. Additional tree work, and work on the Second and Third Beach parking lots would be done after Labor Day.

The Third Beach work party was very successful, with members helping on both Saturday and Sunday. The Board will look into having work parties at the other beaches during the summer of 2018.

Public Safety: No report

Events/Social: There was some discussion regarding Lake Hayward Days activities. The Board will have to look at management of Events/Social over the winter.

LQIC: Corinne said that the committee will start to look at weed treatment contract renewal, including competitive bidding if necessary.

There was some discussion of the possible Third Beach dredging project, including competitive bidding options.

Budget Committee: Ed talked about the order of business at the Annual Meeting, including committee chairs and those responsible for individual lines items presenting their reports before introducing the budget. After presenting the budget, we will take questions, then vote. The dredging project will be presented separately, with opportunity for questions, then a vote.

New Business:

Future Meetings: Cari will finalize the dates and times of meetings after the Annual Meeting, so new Board members will have input.

Refrigerator: The Board voted 4-3 to not repair or replace the refrigerator at the Pavilion.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie F. Sudell
Recording Secretary