POALH Board of Governors Meeting Minutes January 12, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Gail Grzegorczak at 10:08 a.m. at Gail's house at 34 Glimmer Glen, East Haddam. Board members in attendance were Dave Edgington, Dave Glazier, Gail Grzegorczak, Larry Lusardi, Diane Nelson, Linda Nuzzo, Gary Petersen and Bonnie Sudell. Also attending were Lee Griffin, Treasurer, Ed Bader, Budget Chair, Roland Depratti, Blog Administrator, Bob Sudell and Jason Griffing, Pavilion Committee.

<u>Minutes</u>: The minutes of the December 15, 2012 Board Meeting were accepted as presented.

Old Business:

<u>Impact Study</u>: Gail has been in contact with Tim Pelton. We should have an update by our next Board Meeting.

Dam Site Survey: no update, waiting for report

DEEP Inspection Report: no update, waiting for report

<u>Pot Luck Supper</u>: The Board Pot Luck will be January 19, 2013 at Diane Nelson's house in Farmington from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. It will be BYOB. Please let Diane know what dish you are bringing. Directions will follow.

To Blog or Not to Blog: Roland presented usage statistics for the blog. Board members have been asked to become familiar with and to use the blog. We will reevaluate the usage after August 31, 2013, and make a decision then as to its continuance. Roland will bring his laptop to the upcoming Board Pot Luck to show Board members how to use the blog.

Board Photos: will be taken at the Pot Luck.

<u>Water Company/Tax Bill</u>: Lee Griffin explained that the POALH does not have a contract with our water company; each homeowner has his own contract. We own the right of way, including the driveway and the old tennis courts on the property where the water tower was. Lee and Jason will go, on behalf of the POALH, to a hearing in East Haddam, in a effort to lower the tax bill on that property.

Insurance RFQ and Request to Meet the Committee: Bouvier Insurance already has the RFQ. Gail will send the other RFQ's out, with a two week response time. The proposals will be reviewed, then brought to the Board for review at a special meeting. Treasurer: The Treasurer's report was accepted as presented. Lee is waiting for the release for the porta pottie that was destroyed in the fire and will shortly issue a check for \$900 as settlement of the claim. Lee is soliciting quotes from our existing porta pottie vendor and two others for this season. They will quote clean out of once a week (our existing frequency) with special calls and twice a week. It is important that we get a damage waiver for the handicap porta pottie, to be at First Beach. It was noted that we will need to pour a larger pad at First Beach to accommodate the handicapped accessible porta pottie.

Pavilion Committee Rebuild Committee Update: Bob Sudell presented conceptual drawings, for a structure occupying a total space of 36'x48', with a storage area of 12'x48'. The committee has proposed cedar clapboard on the sides of the storage area and a cupola on top of the pavilion. An architect has been engaged to provide engineered drawings and to work with the Town. Pavers leading to the portalets were discussed as a possible fundraiser. The proposed budget, coming out of POALH reserves, is \$150,000, not including \$15,000 for equipment.

<u>Town Hall Meeting March 3rd</u>: The focus for the next Pavilion Committee meeting will be to prepare for the Town Hall Meeting. A postcard will be sent to all POALH members, advising them of the date, and asking them to check our website for updates. Larry will research the Polish Club to see if it is available for our meeting.

We will need to talk in greater detail about our Spring Packet and summer activities at our next Board Meeting. Diane Nelson presented some of her plans, which will be discussed further at the next Board Meeting, Saturday, February 16th at 10:00 a.m. at Gail's house.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bonnie .F. Sudell Recording Secretary