

**POALH Board of Governors
Meeting Minutes
May 15, 2019**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Bob Sudell at the at the First Beach Pavilion, Lake Shore Dr. Board members in attendance were Jeffrey Conway, Janet DePratti, Corinne Halliday, Neil Murphy, Bonnie Sudell and Bill Taylor. Ed Bader, Tax Collector attended. Association members Felicia Tencza, Randy Miller, Bob Sudell also attended.

Executive Session: The board voted to have an Executive Session. Real estate was discussed.

Public Comment:

- Randy asked for clarification between the POALH Bylaws, Article VII Taxes; the current established mill rate; the POALH Charter, sec 10 and the passed budget for the 2019-2020 year. The board will review the letter from the lawyer POALH uses regarding this.
- Felicia stated the March and April minutes were not yet on the POALH website. Jan stated she would send them to Mike to be put on the website ASAP.
- Felicia suggested that the spring packet be also offered electronically for those who want it. This would help save cost and time.

Minutes: The minutes of the April 17, 2019 Board Meeting were approved as presented.

Financial Reports

Treasurer: Treasurer's report as of 5/14/19 was accepted as presented.

Tax Collector: It was reported that 100% of taxes had been collected. Discussion occurred on how our mill rate was determined and that East Haddam, like other towns, will modify the Grand List throughout the year due to sales and construction. Ed Bader, tax collector, proposed a mill rate of 4.35% for the July 2019 billing. The board voted on and approved this mill rate.

President's Comments: The letters received from Sandra Brown will be reviewed and commented on at the June board meeting.

Committee Reports:

Budget: Budget Committee has been established. Members are: Ed Bader, Kim Jonah, Dave Edgington, Randy Miller, Lee Griffin.

Events: Jeff reported that event planning is on track and within budget.

Properties:

- Work party is scheduled for 9am. Meet at First Beach. Task is to put in rafts and beach lines.
- Work needed to be done on the POALH right of ways is being assessed. If work is major, Properties may look for outside help and funding.
- Sale of docs is being advertised.

Public Safety: no report

Secretary-Clerk: Jan stated that she will be not be at lake form January – June 2020. She can hold the secretary position until the end of 2019, but due to logistics it would be best if secretary duties were taken over.

LQIC:

- Corinne talked about Tim Pelton's write-up of the Lake Quality Report done by NAR: background, assessment, and next steps, summarizing what was done and why. She will have the write-up added to the June 22nd newsletter.
- An education session for POALH members by Northeast Aquatic Research (NAR) about our lake water quality will be set up to be held this season.

Water Quality:

- Russell Melmed is new director of the Chatham Health District. Don Mitchell, prior director has taken a pre-retirement field position and will still be involved with water collection on the CHD side.
- Kathy Petersen is taking over POALH water collection. Jan written step-by-step procedures and will be training Kathy on water collection, logging, and communication with CHD.
- Jan will be Kathy's backup.
- Water collection / state testing will start on May 21st.

Dredging:

- Bill met Pristine Waters at 3rd Beach on Sat May 11th . POALH questions were answered.
- Bill handed out a detailed timeline explaining the before dredging setup and after dredging cleanup. Tasks on are track.
- POALH will follow-up at the appropriate time with East Haddam's Board of Finance regarding capital funding from the town for lake related projects.

Technology: no report

Other:

- The nominating committee has been established. Members are: Courtney Harmon, Lynne Bagnati, Gail Miers, and Kathy Petersen. They are tasked with having a slate of board candidates for review at the July Board meeting.
- First newsletter is June 22nd. All submissions are to be sent to Mike by Sunday, June 16th.

Old Business:

The board approved \$250 to purchase a fryer for french fried potatoes to be sold at Lake Hayward days.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, June 19, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Pavilion.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet DePratti