



"A lake is the landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature. It is earth's eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of his own nature." ~Henry David Thoreau, Walden



Welcome to the 2020 season. This packet of information is for you to reference and keep on hand for you and your guests. Additionally, there is a copy on the Lake Hayward website Lakehaywardct.com.

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Message from your Board of Governors

The winter was mild. The croci are blooming. The trees are budding. Lake Hayward is more beautiful than ever. And we are self-isolating and practicing “social distancing,” having cleaned all stores out of hand sanitizer, toilet paper, paper towels, bleach and other cleaning supplies. With precautionary measures being taken globally to control the spread of COVID-19, we can only hope that by the time seasonal residents return we will be able to enjoy all the activities that your Board has planned for the summer.

Your Board of Governors has been meeting regularly over the winter, working on, among other things, our Strategic Plan, formulating a blight ordinance, enforcing our signage rules, and reviewing matters brought up at meetings. We encourage interested Association members to attend our Board meetings and speak during the public comment period. The dates and times of meetings, along with a plethora of information on a variety of POALH topics, are posted on our website Lakehaywardct.com. As we did last year, summer meetings will be held at our Pavilion to encourage your input.

To our many year-round residents – thank you for being good stewards and keeping an eye on our lake during the winter. To our seasonal residents – welcome back! We want to particularly welcome new homeowners and urge you to take advantage of the many activities and opportunities afforded you as members of our Association. New homeowners (and those who have not already done so), please complete and return the enclosed Voting Registration form so that your voice may be heard at our two Association meetings. On behalf of our Tax Collector, we also encourage you to fill out and return the enclosed Lake Hayward Property Owner Information Sheet.

New homeowners note the information submitted by Jason Griffing pertaining to communications and Matthew Conway pertaining to our newsletter delivery.

Our newly elected Board members Cindy Biancamano, Hema DeSilva and Kathy Sabo have jumped right in; Cindy is our new Vice President, Hema is working on our Strategic Plan and Kathy is our new Recording Secretary and Secretary/Clerk. We will likely have some Board vacancies this year and encourage anyone interested in serving to contact me for referral to our Nominating Committee.

On behalf of the entire Board, we look forward to seeing you at the Lake.

In the meantime, wash your hands often, cough into your elbow, don't touch your face, stay 3 feet apart from others, and for Heaven's sake, if you feel sick, stay home!

Bonnie Sudell, President

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Properties

During the off season a few projects have been worked on by the Properties Committee.

Two of the right of ways at the north end of the Lake have been cleared of brush and leaves and are now passible. Additional right of ways will be surveyed and cleared to make them passable.

New street signs were installed in the Fall, and the remaining signs will be installed in the Spring. I know that many residents would like to have one of the old signs. After all the signs have been removed everyone will be able to request a sign. If there are not enough signs, we will have a drawing for those who would like one.

A bid has been put together and advertised to construct a new walkway at 3rd Beach between the 3rd Beach stairs and the parking lot, along with a walkway to the 3rd Beach dock. The parking lot stairs will also be changed to a ramp.

- The 1st Beach parking lot lights will be changed over to LED.
- New nets have been purchased for the tennis courts.
- A tree by Little Beach is being removed.

There are two items that the Properties Committee has in the capital budget for 2020-21. They are to put up a new Lake Hayward sign at the south entrance to the lake; this sign would be the same as the new sign at the north end of the lake. The other item is to repave the basketball court.

There will be a work party on Sunday May 17, 2020 to put in the swim lines and rafts. Meet @9:00am at 1st Beach parking lot.

Thank you to all the volunteers who have helped me.

Gary Petersen
Properties Chairman

Events

See the calendar inserts at the end of this packet and check LakeHaywardCT.com for the most up-to-date calendar information.

POALH Merchandise

Come to the June Association Meeting, Sunday June 21, 10:00 am, to see what's new this year!

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Lake Water Quality Improvement Committee - LQIC

The LQIC will be busy again with ongoing water quality testing, invasive plant species monitoring, and treatments to remediate invasive species in our water. As most of our residents know, we created a group of volunteers that has been tasked to sample the lake to improve our understanding of it. Lake chemistry and biology is constantly changing year to year and we started collecting data last spring, twice a month, in an effort to understand what is occurring in our lake. A Secchi Disk is used to measure water clarity. A Dissolved Oxygen Monitor is used to measure temperature, dissolved oxygen, and percent oxygen saturation at various depths. This is important for determining the conditions for the release of phosphorus (an algae food source) from the lake bottom. A Van Dorn Sampler is used to take water samples at any depth for laboratory analysis. These samples are tested for nitrogen and total phosphorous, the primary nutrients for algae. An Algae Straw is used to take a direct sample of algae which then also goes to the laboratory where the species of algae is identified. It is important to note that blue-green algae exist normally in all lakes and it is only when it reaches very high counts per milliliter in a bloom that it is potentially toxic. This sampling protocol has been running since last spring under the expert guidance of AJ Reyes of Northeast Aquatic Research. They are very familiar with our lake.

A second team of volunteers will also be starting to test the streams and other runoff to determine their impact on the lake and we will keep you informed in the association's weekly seasonal newsletter on our work.

As was mentioned in the first paragraph, algae loves nitrogen and phosphorous. Although some is naturally occurring in a lake, we humans are also contributing to it. Please help us curb these nutrients by removing your leaves, not using lawn fertilizers which contain those nutrients, and get your septic systems pumped on a regular basis. Please cherish the trees growing on your property and plant buffer zones on your property to curb runoff. This applies to everyone not just lake front properties. If you have a sloping lawn leave a two-foot deep strip of tall growth. If you have gutters please make sure the down spouts are NOT leading the water down a driveway. We all have a very important role to play in keeping our lake healthy.

This year's weed treatment will be scheduled for the end of June, 2020. The exact date will be communicated to the membership. As you know we did not receive our permit to treat last year for a myriad of reasons but we are on track to have it soon. It will be a three-year permit. Solitude has revised their procedures with respect to the preparation and filing of permits with DEEP and they stated they now have controls in place to make sure this does not occur again. We have signed a one-year contract with them for 2020. Our weed treatments over the years have been working and have resulted in fewer invasive weeds. Please do your part and clean off your boats if you use them in other lakes so we don't inherit any problems they may be having.

As always, I want to thank the hard work this committee has been doing over the years. It is comprised of dedicated volunteers from both sides of our beautiful lake. Their names are Ed Bader, Jan DePratti, Jeanine Gouin, Wolf Koste, Marlee Mooney, Tim

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Pelton, and Gail Miers. I would also like to thank Felicia Tencza and Randy Miller for their ongoing involvement with this committee and their commitment to all of our East Haddam Lakes.

This year's weed treatment is scheduled for late June 2020. Please do not swim, boat, or fish on the day of the treatment. Do not use lake water for drinking, cooking, or watering of livestock during the days immediately following the treatment. Last year's report on the lake's weed treatment can be found on our website Lakehaywardct.com.

Water Bacteria Testing:

Regular screenings for bacteria occur throughout our swimming season (Memorial Day through Labor Day) in an attempt to ensure a safe experience for the Association members and guests and to give us information about the condition of our lake. POALH's water collection and testing conforms to CT Department of Public Health protocol. Testing is done weekly on Tuesdays at our three beaches and is a test for e. coli, and cyanobacteria if there are obvious algae blooms. Three water samples from each beach are transported to the CT State Water Testing Lab in Middletown, CT. that day. We are contacted the next day if any of the samples are problematic and an immediate retest is taken. If those results are still a problem a beach will be closed until a future test is acceptable. An unacceptable reading at one beach does not mean the whole lake has a problem. Signs are posted so you will know. We have testing for total phosphorus and chlorophyll also performed but on a different schedule.

Corinne Halliday, LQIC Chair

Dam Inspection

The Dam Inspection Committee was formed to coordinate the inspection of the dam which was scheduled for the fall of 2019. The Committee consists of 3 members from the Association and 2 property owners from the East Shore community. The Association hired a qualified dam inspector from a DEEP approved list and the inspector completed his report in February 2020 and filed it with DEEP. The dam inspector made recommendations to improve the dam. We have posted the complete Dam Inspection Report on our web site. We have engaged the dam inspector, a licensed engineer, to work with us to develop some preliminary estimates of the cost to implement the recommendations.

Separately, the Town of East Haddam's Board of Finance has requested the three lake associations to provide financial information on proposed capital projects and on a five-year financial projection. One of our Association's capital projects submitted to the Town is the reconstruction of the eastern spillway of our dam. We estimated the cost of the reconstruction to be \$50,000 and we asked the Town to contribute \$25,000 to defray the cost. A second capital project involving the Dam was a request to the Town to construct an adequate system of storm sewers on Haywardville Road paralleling the

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headwalls of both spillways to eliminate the substantial erosion of the road edge and western spillway headwall. The continuous erosion of the western headwall and the edge of Haywardville Road creates a dangerous situation and one that needs a permanent solution. We have asked the Town of East Haddam to fund the entire cost of this project which we believe should not exceed \$25,000.

We plan to provide a more detailed plan of dam construction and maintenance projects at the June 2020 Association meeting with a presentation from our consulting engineer. Please take a minute and review the Dam Inspection report on the Association's website www.lakehaywardct.com

Ed Bader, Tax Collector

Register with the Secretary/Clerk

Per our Charter, members of the POALH should be registered with the Secretary-Clerk to be able to vote at meetings and referendums. We encourage you to register so that your voice may be heard.

If you have not yet registered, please complete the enclosed **Voting Registration** form and return to me by email to secretary@lakehaywardct.com or mail to POALH, Box 230, Colchester, CT 06415. You only need to register once, not every year.

Kathy Sabo, Secretary/Clerk

Parking Permits

The Association utilizes hang tag parking permits that hang from the rear-view mirror of your vehicle. Last year's Spring Packet contained four (4) parking permits for your family and guests. These permits are registered to your property and may be moved from vehicle to vehicle. These permits replace all previous permits, including past hang tags and separate guest passes, and are the only permits that will be accepted when you park on Association property. These permits expire in June of 2022.

Failure to display a parking permit in a prominent place on the vehicle will result in the vehicle being tagged or prohibited from parking at the beach parking lots. The POALH Board continues to seek a vendor who will boot or tow vehicles not displaying the current permit. Our local and State Police reserve the right to arrest those on Association property for trespassing if the current permit is not displayed.

Each owner of a residential and seasonal house or cottage and "lot only" owners received four (4) parking permits. If an owner owns more than one dwelling unit, the owner is entitled to four parking permits per dwelling. Owners with extra lots are not entitled to extra parking permits.

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Please remember: The parking permits are registered to your property. If a property is sold the parking permits are to be transferred to the new owner.

If new owners of a property do not receive four parking permits from the seller of the property, the Association will replace the permits at no charge, voiding the previous permits.

For all other requests for additional parking permits that have been lost stolen or misplaced, there will be a \$5.00 charge for each permit issued. The property owner must send a request to the Public Safety Chair, with a check made payable to The Property Owners' Association of Lake Hayward (POALH) for the number of permits needed (not to exceed four – at \$5.00 per permit) with an explanation of the reason for the additional permits. Mail your check to Public Safety Chair, POALH, Box 230, Colchester, CT 06415 or you can drop your request and check in the POALH mailbox at 83 Wildwood Road.

Watercraft

Watercraft on Association property should display both your lake address and a green boat registration sticker. Properly labeled boats may be placed on the boat racks between April 1st and October 31st. Racks are available on a first come, first serve basis. Please place lighter watercraft (i.e. kayaks, aluminum canoes) on the upper racks as a courtesy to those with heavier boats. Ground level racks are intended for row boats, paddle boats and john boats; kayaks and canoes should be placed on the multi-level racks. Please do not leave watercraft on the grass as it kills the grass and makes lawn maintenance difficult.

The POALH reserves the right to remove watercraft not in compliance.

Make note of the make, model and serial number of your watercraft and keep the information in a safe place. You will need this information to identify your watercraft in case of theft.

Please lock your watercraft. The POALH is not responsible for theft or damage to watercraft on Association property

Registration stickers will be available at Association meetings and by contacting Lee Griffin, Treasurer at treasurer@lakehaywardct.com .

Garbage Collection

All-Waste Control will collect trash and recyclables twice a week (Monday and Friday) during the summer, starting on **Monday, June 29, 2020**. The last twice a week pickup will be **Tuesday, September 8, 2020**, after which pickup will be on Fridays only. The Town of East Haddam has implemented "single stream recycling" so it is no longer necessary

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to separate the various recyclables into separate containers and/or put them out on separate days. All recyclables can be combined and placed into a single container and put out with your regular trash. We must recycle.

1. Glass and metal food and beverage containers (rinsed); lids go in trash (no broken glass, mugs, windowpanes, ceramics, light bulbs, mirrors, dishes or tempered glass)
2. Plastic containers #1 through #7 (rinsed); lids go in trash
3. Newspaper, magazines, cereal/pasta boxes, milk and juice cartons, junk mail (no phone books, wax or plastic-coated cardboard, soiled newspaper or magazines, books, plastic (Tyvek) envelopes)
4. Cardboard (broken down) (no wax coated boxes, soiled boxes, pizza boxes)

Garbage bags should not be left uncovered for more than one day to prevent animals getting into them. Please contact All-Waste Control at 860-873-9003 with any questions.

Financials

Each month, the Treasurer prepares a summary of the actual monthly revenues and expenses, the checking account balance, money market and unallocated reserves that make up the total available funds which also includes the East Shore residents' donations and funds budgeted and received from the Town of East Haddam for our Lake Associations. These reports are posted on the POALH website www.lakehaywardct.com after board review and approval.

Throughout the year, the Treasurer also provides the Board with detailed comparison of all the revenue and expenses incurred with the related budgeted amounts. The Board asks each Committee chair and others responsible for specific revenue and expense line items to report on the activity and the utilization of the budgeted amounts. In addition, following established policies, all expenditures over \$5,000 are required to be competitively bid unless the Board waives the bidding process. For example, the lake treatment program is a recurring vendor which the Board has waived rebidding each year. Our LQIC committee helps the board monitor this vendor as well as the treasurer verifying expenditures based on contracted amount. The Treasurer also assists with the budget committee, properties and other committees as needed.

Lee Griffin, Treasurer

treasurer@lakehaywardct.com

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Tax Collector's Update

Tax Collections:

To date, 99% of our property owners have paid their property taxes and we appreciate everyone's commitment to funding the Association's 2019-20 Budget.

Change of Mailing Address:

Each year we urge property owners to notify us of any change of address so we can make sure our address files are up to date. We use the property tax files of the Town of East Haddam to send property tax bills. Every year we get mail returned to us because the Post Office can't deliver mail to you because the forwarding address notification has expired. If you change your address, you need to notify the Town of East Haddam Assessor's Office, 860-873-5026, of that change of address and notify us of that change. A form to notify the Association is included in this Spring Packet of Information. Other changes that require notification include change of ownership, i.e. transferring ownership into a Trust, changing Trustees, and/or the passing of one or both owners requiring the establishment of a Probate Court filing. The Town of East Haddam Assessor's office will not accept changes from us. The property owner or Executor of the estate must contact the Assessor's office directly.

Forwarding Mail in the Summer and Picking up Tax Bills in Person:

Forwarding mail from a property owner's winter address sometimes becomes problematic and so following last year's practice, we will arrange for a time and place for property owners to pick up their property tax bills in person. The pick-up dates will be during the week of June 22, 2020. We need to know by June 10, 2020 if you want to pick up your property tax bill in person. Please send an e-mail to taxcollector@lakehaywardct.com or call me at 860-295-8769 to let me know you want to pick up your tax bill in person. When you pick up your bill or bills you will need to present identification and sign a receipt.

Ed Bader, Tax Collector

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Insurance Update

Swim and Exercise Classes:

The Association's insurance carriers provide the Association with several different insurance coverages to limit the risks the Association takes on. One of the specific exclusions in our general liability policy is that we are not insured for swim instructions and exercise classes. We discovered that a private enterprise was conducting swim lessons at First Beach without the explicit authorization of the Board of Governors and we met with the swim instructor and informed her that she could not conduct swim lessons on Association property. There has been some discussion with supporters of the swim instructor advocating for the continuation of swim lessons. The Board discussed the level of uninsured risk with our insurance broker and decided that the potential risk of loss to the Association is so significant that the Board continues to believe that we should not in any way permit swim lessons on Association property. In addition, even if we were to get some level of coverage for swim instruction liability the terms and cost would be significantly high. Actual losses paid by other organizations as a result of swim accidents have been in the millions of dollars. The Board does not want to expose the property owners to this level of loss under any circumstances. Our research has determined that the Town of East Haddam Parks and Recreation Department conducts swim lessons during the summer and that program is open to all residents of East Haddam and other non-residents. Property owners and others can take advantage of East Haddam's swim instruction program.

Pavilion Reservation, Lease and Hold Harmless Agreement:

The Pavilion Reservation, Lease and Hold Harmless Agreement has been revised and is on the Association's web site for download www.lakehaywardct.com. The major changes in the Agreement include the following:

- Increase in the refundable deposit of \$75.00. The refund of the deposit is subject to certain conditions.
- Reservations may be made any day of the week except when there are Association events planned.
- Requirement to provide evidence/documentation of the Lessee's homeowner's insurance coverage of a minimum liability of \$500,000 OR a minimum liability limit of \$300,000 plus a copy of the Lessee's Umbrella policy declarations page showing a minimum limit of \$1,000,000.
- The Lessee/property owner's personal liability insurance is primary if a claim is filed that relates to damage on Association property or a claim related to the conduct or activity that took place while at the Lessee's event at the Pavilion

Sporting Events:

The Association conducts sporting events including a triathlon, golf tournament, volleyball tournament, and other sporting events throughout the summer months. There is an exclusion in our liability insurance policy for all sporting events. To continue these sporting events, we will need to purchase separate insurance coverage for them.

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Depending on the cost of this insurance coverage, we will make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the cost will be spread across the various sporting events where we charge a fee for the event or absorb the total cost of the sports event insurance cost as an insurance event. In either case, participating in any of the sporting events will require the participant to sign a Hold Harmless Agreement. If the participant is under the age of 21, the agreement must be signed by the minor's parent and proof of health insurance for the participant must be presented.

Ed Bader, Insurance Coordinator

Purchase of the Hay Field Road Property

The Association completed the purchase of the Hay Field property in the fall of 2019 (next to the tennis courts). This purchase was approved by the Association at its August 2019 meeting. We have asked the consulting engineer who is assisting the Association on the dam recommendation to give us a proposal on the construction of a bio-detention basin on the property and on other uses of the property. As part of the Town of East Haddam's request for Capital projects, we submitted a request for the construction of the bio-detention basin which is estimated to cost approximately \$25,000 and asked the Town of East Haddam to fund 50% of the cost or \$12,500. The consulting engineer will present at the June 2020 Association meeting a plan for the construction of the basin including specifications for bidding this project and suggestions for the use of the remaining lot.

Ed Bader, Tax Collector

Public Safety

Please see the information regarding reflective address markers and the enclosed order form. We urge all property owners to clearly identify your residence so that police, fire and EMS responders can find you.

CPR will be offered twice this summer. Please check the website LakeHaywardCT.com and newsletter for dates and times.

Bonnie Sudell, Public Safety Chair

Reflective Address Markers:

Firefighters, police and emergency medical responders lose precious minutes if they can't find you and sadly, many of our homes do not prominently display house numbers. Rich Harmon, one of our very own first responders, has expressed this concern at many Association meetings. We believe that we have an easy, inexpensive solution to this problem. The East Haddam Fire Department sells reflective address markers for

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the nominal cost of \$15 each. Two-sided, reflective on both sides; these markers are suitable for attachment to mailboxes, trees and posts. We urge you to complete the enclosed form to obtain your marker today. A representative from the East Haddam Fire Department will also be at our June Meeting to take orders. If emergency responders can't find you, they can't help you!

Police and Security

We continue to work with both the East Haddam Police Department and Troop K in Colchester to provide both random patrols and presence at our events.

To discourage theft from your vehicle when on Association property, please lock it and do not leave valuables in plain sight.

We encourage all Association members to take responsibility for reporting suspicious activity to the Police. Please do not confront anyone. Call the East Haddam Police at 860-873-1226 with as many details as possible. This number will roll over to the State Police, Troop K in Colchester, if East Haddam Police are unavailable.

To report underage alcohol and drug use, call the Anonymous Tip Line at 860-873-5013.
If you see something or hear something, SAY SOMETHING!

Communications

Emails for electronic communications:

We encourage all who can to please opt for email delivery of all newsletters and other communications to save on printing costs and be environmentally responsible. Remember all newsletters are always available on lakehaywardct.com usually a day or two before weekend delivery of the printed copy. To sign up for newsletter delivery see the information under the heading **Newsletters – 2020 Summer Season**.

Spring Packet delivery:

The Board of Governors is exploring delivery options for the Annual Spring Packet. If you would be willing to receive the Spring Packet by email instead of delivered by US Mail in the future please let us know by emailing your name, email and POALH property address to jasong@lakehaywardct.com . In the subject line please state "Electronic Spring Packet YES"

Please note the packet will always be available on the lakehaywardct.com website and currently anyone wishing to continue to receive the Spring Packet by US Mail will still be mailed the packet.

This year we have good news for those of you who would like to have others in your family receive the weekly summer electronic newsletter and any pertinent notices by

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email. Our electronic communications provider has now updated their program and we can add multiple emails to each property address! If you would like your husband/wife/children/co-owner etc. to get this electronic email please send the individual's name, email and property to associate the email with and we will add them to the distribution. In the subject line please state "additional email". Send this to [**jasong@lakehaywardct.com**](mailto:jasong@lakehaywardct.com).

In the past our electronic communication provider did allow for multiple emails per property address, but two years ago they discontinued that option for new emails and only allowed those who already had multiple emails registered to remain active.

Jason Griffing

Newsletters-2020 Summer Season

It's getting to be that wonderful time of the year again! Production of the Lake Hayward newsletter will be starting up again in June. If you were getting a newsletter last summer and you are happy with your delivery method, then you don't need to do anything (other than enjoy it). If you are new to the community, or you wish to change how your newsletter is delivered, you have three choices as to how you would like to get your newsletter:

1. You can have your newsletter delivered to your cottage by one of the community youth on Saturday morning. In order to get this option, just send either an email to JWConway@cox.net (subject line please include 'newsletter delivery') or drop a note off at my cottage at 119 Longwood Drive, letting me know your name and cottage address and then I will put you on the carrier's route; or
2. You can have your newsletter delivered electronically only. If you wish to do this, then send an email to jasong@lakehaywardct.com with your email address (see the instructions under **Communications**), and then please let me know this is your preference (see my email address below); or
3. You can stop by one of the kiosks, which are located at each of the three main Lake Hayward beaches, and pick up a copy of the newsletter yourself.

We are always looking for additional letter carriers to deliver the newsletter. If you were one of the loyal delivery people last year, I've saved your route for you :-), send me an email letting me know if you will be able to continue on (JWConway@cox.net). If you would like to join the team, we'd love to have you be part of the process. Just send me an email letting me know of your interest, your name and your parent's name. It's that easy! As always, if you have any questions or ideas please let me know! Looking forward to a great Summer...

Matthew Conway, JWConway@cox.net

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Newsletter Submission Guidelines

Send your submissions to webmaster@lakehaywardct.com. Deadline for submissions is Sunday 6 p.m. to be published in the following Saturday newsletter. Present your submission using the following formatting:

- Word document
- Garamond 10pt type • 1/2 page = maximum of 420 words
- 1 page = maximum of 840 words
- Graphics and photos in .jpg format only.
- Single space only between sentences (do not double space).

Classifieds: Will only run one week but can be resubmitted until sold

- Teenage/youth services run once with beginning and end date of availability • Community interest events or local fundraisers for charity, local fire department, etc. run once with dates
- No advertising of professional businesses or services will be allowed.

The newsletter editor and Board reserves the right to modify format, graphics or text as necessary to meet publishing guidelines. Submissions may be refused by the editor if the topic is not considered appropriate by the Board. Submissions received after the deadline will be included in following newsletter, unless voided due to time sensitive content.

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Beach News

1st Beach

The weather is getting warmer and soon we will be having fun at the beach, on the water and in the pavilion! This year you will see barriers put up at first beach including the grassy area and the boating area to keep the waterfowl from coming up onto the shore. Due to the amount of goose poop that was left on the beach last year we thought it was time to deter our feathered friends from roaming this area. This will require the cooperation of all who use first beach. It will take some time to get used to and I am asking for your patience and cooperation as we iron out the kinks in establishing the barrier. It will look like the barrier that is used successfully at third beach. We need everyone's help to make this work. Thank you in advance for your help and cooperation!

Please remember that the boat rack is available on a first come, first served basis. Please refrain from moving or tipping boats/paddle boards currently on the rack when adding your vessel. It would help to leave the bottom level for bigger boats. If there are enough people that cannot find a space for their boat on the rack, let me know and perhaps we can ask the board to add another rack.

Please consider lending a hand when the properties committee schedules the beach cleanup day. If you have any questions, concerns or ideas about anything regarding first beach feel free to email me using the email on the **Property Owners' Association of Lake Hayward 2020 Contacts list** in this packet.

I look forward to seeing everyone on the beach! Let's have a fabulous year!!

Kathy Sabo, 1st Beach Representative

2nd Beach

We look forward to our annual Pot Luck Dinner this summer. It's a great chance to visit with neighbors and enjoy some truly great cooking. All members are invited. Our parking lot has been resurfaced and other small projects have been completed to make it a great family beach with an accessible boat ramp, volleyball, playscape, swimming and fishing.

Bonnie Sudell and Cindy Biancamano, 2nd Beach representatives

3rd Beach

Much has changed at third beach over the last year. Not only has much work been done by POALH to make the beach experience more enjoyable to the membership, but also many homes in the area have seen a lot of work done on them. More than a few houses have been spruced up by the homeowner or as some homes were forced into foreclosure some contractors saw a way to make a paycheck fixing up and reselling others. All of these improvements help keep the aesthetic and enjoyment value of the area up.

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With the recent investment by the association third beach has had some new vitality injected into it. The dredging project was completed in early March. All signs of the dredging were removed and the beach then graded back to normal. POALH is on target as well to have the walkway to the parking lot finished this year.

Going into the summer let's focus on making the beach experience more fun for all. This includes participating as much as possible in POALH sponsored events. It means not only going to "fun" events but it also means volunteering when a clean-up crew is needed by the Properties chairman, or a committee needs assistance with an event. So please call on your beach representatives for suggestions as how you can help with any of the many activities going on at your beach this summer.

Bill Taylor, 3rd Beach Representative

Dredging Project

After 3 years of planning and execution the third beach dredging project has come to a close, and the project was completed ahead of schedule and under budget.

Items of note during the actual dredging were: The beach was prepared in late September 2019 by Allegra Enterprises for the installation of the geotextile bag that served as the storage bag for the muck scoured from the lake bottom. Dredging commenced on October 1, 2019 and was completed on October 18, 2019. Well over 200 cubic yards of muck was pumped into the 30'x100' geotextile bag located on the beach. Upon completion of dredging Gary Petersen and Bill Taylor surveyed the area dredged and approved the work. Four very large garbage bags worth of trash as well were removed from the lake bottom by the dredging divers. Found on the bottom and removed was a lot of broken glass, lost swim goggles, fishing lures and a broken fishing rod, as well as a sizable amount of discarded plastic.

After dewatering of the full geotextile bag on the beach over the winter, Allegra Enterprises completed the beach cleanup process in a timely manner. The geotextile bag was opened up and the dried muck was shoveled by a large excavator into an 18 cubic yard truck and trucked off site. With that work done all sign of the previous dredging work was removed from POALH property. The beach was then graded and prepared for this summer season.

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POALH, Box 230, Colchester, CT 06415

I hereby certify that (check one):

_____ I am an elector of the Town of East Haddam and reside within said limits of the
Association

or

_____ I have attained the age of eighteen years and own any legal lot within said limits
which has an assessed value equal to or in excess of one thousand dollars.

Printed Name: _____

Please print legibly

Signature: _____

Association Address: _____

Secretary-Clerk

Date Approved

Ref: POALH Charter 8/15/93 Section One, Voting Rights

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Property Address: _____

Lot Only YES NO (if yes please include Lot #) _____

YEAR ROUND SEASONAL (circle one)

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Deeded Property Owner Name(s): _____

Primary Email Address: _____

Alternate Email Address: _____

Primary Phone Number: _____

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Annual Meeting Minutes

Property Owners Association of Lake Hayward

Annual Meeting

August 18, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. at the pavilion by President Bonnie Sudell. Present at the roll call of the Board of Governors were Bonnie Sudell, Jeff Conway, Janet DePratti, Jason Griffing, Neil Murphy, Gary Petersen, Bill Taylor and Adam Thompson. Also present were Ed Bader, Tax Collector and Lee Griffin, Treasurer. There were voting registered members present.

Opening Remarks: Bonnie welcomed everyone. She stated to vote, individuals must be registered and to vote use the yellow piece of paper. She also stated, if you would like to speak, to raise your hand and when called upon to state your name, street address and to limit your remarks to five (5) minutes. She also asked that we be polite and respectful and please contribute in a positive way.

Minutes: A motion was made, seconded and passed to waive the reading of the June 23, 2019 Association Meeting Minutes. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the minutes.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer:

- Lee addressed the 2018-2019 year end report as of June 2019. The overage of 14,887.97 will be returned to residents as a tax reduction in 2021.
- If you are interested in the CPA's report for 2018-2019 please email our treasurer at Treasurer@lakehaywardct.com
- All invoices as of 08/18/2019 are paid.

Tax Collector:

- All taxes are collected for the 2018 tax year.
- 94% of the taxes for the 2019 tax year are collected.

Reports of the Board of Governors:

President: Bonnie commented on the following:

- She thanked all those who have volunteered this year.

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- She asked for a show of hands for the following:
 - spring packet delivered electronically, about 2/3 were in favor
 - charge for use of the pavilion, about 80% were in favor
 - board stop sending weekly email with link to current newsletter, majority stated “No”.
- No changes will be made at this time by the board, but they will continue to study the spring packet and pavilion charge subjects.

Secretary-Clerk:

- Jan stated she and Jason have synced up the electronic list and the voter registration binder that holds the hard copy signed sheets to help reduce confusion during the check-in process during Association meetings. She suggested it be synced up yearly prior to the first Association meeting of the year.

Properties:

- Dam – There was a preliminary inspection by the engineer and no major issues were seen. Tall weeds will be cut down by our contracted property maintenance team for a final topographical survey inspection by the engineer. He will then assess work needed to be done.
- Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs)
- Second Beach AED will be removed on Oct 15 yearly because it is not heated where the AED is stored.
- First Beach AED will remain where it is. There is heat where it is kept year around.
- When using the AED you still need to call 911. It is NOT automatically called.
- Gary gave a demo of the sound when it is opened, but goes off when closed. Bob Sudell, 113 Lake Shore stated if the alarm appears to go off unintentionally, call Gary or try to close the cover. Don't call 911.
- The two association docks for sale were sold for \$4000.
- Please don't turn of the fan or adjust the thermostat at the pavilion. It is set and sensors automatically.
- First Beach Parking Lot Light lights will be changed to LED.
- Next season's project's include opening the right of ways by our contracted landscaper and completing the Third Beach walkway and parking lot.

Diane Camacho, 134 Longwood asked when the new road signs will be installed? Gary stated they will be installed this fall season.

Tadd Wamester, 48 Wildwood stated the dodder on second beach was not all removed and also asked why the trimming was done so close. Gary responded he would have the contracted landscaper remove the remaining dodder and will also be clearer when requesting trimming to be done.

Irene Braren, 146 Lake Shore stated there is a dead tree at the end of little beach. Gary stated he would look into it.

Phil Sabo, 15 Lookout stated a “Great Job !” being done by the contracted landscaper. He also stated he bought some coyote urine and found it worked to keep geese away. He asked the board to consider using it on the beaches to keep the geese away.

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Jeff Bender, 6 Forest Way reported on his investigation into an ambulance service for the Lake Community. He stated the cost was \$22,000/mo for the town. But he did encourage the board to have discussions with the town to possibly have a service for a few months during the summer. First step is the town would need to know the demographics of the POALH community.

Bonnie, president, reminded that when we call 911 to let the person who answers know that you are located in the "Lake Hayward district of East Haddam".

Mary LaForte, 1 Longwood suggested a permanent sign be posted next to the AEDs stating to tell 911 you are located in the "Lake Hayward district of East Haddam".

Bonnie Sudell, president, 113 lake Shore stated that Lee Griffin, can take orders for reflective property markers for \$15. These are very helpful for the ambulance and police to find your house more easily.

Lake Improvement Quality Committee (LQIC):

Corinne was absent and Jan DePratti read notes from the August 14, 2019 board meeting.

- Corinne still hadn't heard if we have received our permit for weed treatment. She has been in continual contact with Solitude.
- Lake Pocotopaug treatments were missed by Solitude, also.
- Although it's later in the season, AJ Reyes, Aquatic Ecologist, from Northeast Aquatic Research, let Corinne know that it is worth treating Lake Hayward.
- Amanda for Solitude did another pre-treatment survey today, Aug 14. She pointed out more milfoil plant in the lake. When we receive it, the pre-treatment survey from Solitude will be posted.
- LQIC is returning 3 handheld conductivity meters and purchasing a single conductivity meter. The replacement meter has the sensors at the end of a cord to enable measuring water conductivity in hard to reach places. There is an additional cost difference of \$170, which will come out of the LQIC budget.
- Twice a month deep water readings and water samples are being taken by LQIC this season. Three sets have been taken so far. No results from the water samples have been received yet, but the more recent deep water readings show there is not much dissolved oxygen near the bottom of the lake. The deep water readings and the water sample results will help LQIC further understand the health of Lake Hayward with assistance from AJ Reyes, Aquatic Ecologist, of Northeast Aquatic Research (NEAR).
- Felicia invited any of the POALH community who would like to understand this LQIC program to join them (Randy, Felicia, Wolf, and Tim) on the boat while they take readings and samples. There is limited boat space, contact Felicia or Randy for arrangements.
- Randy stated that the Connecticut Federation of Lake (CFL) is holding their Annual Lakes Forum. It is \$10 for CFL members. Speakers will include George Knoecklein of Northeast Aquatic Research, Greg Bugbee of CT DEEP, and Steve Trinkaus from Lake Pocotopaug.
- Bonnie stated that there was only one high e. coli reading this year during the weekly beach testing. It was on first beach, and reading was normal at next day retest.

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Bill Wamaster, 133 Lake Shore, brought that our lake is being overgrown with lily pads and asked if something can be done.

Mary LaPorte, 1 Longwood, thanked the LQIC that we have been proactive with our lake's health. She stated she saw a lake shore property owner treating their lawn by a non-organic lawn company. She stated that we all around the lake need to be educated on what to use on our properties.

Felicia Tencza, 22 Forest Way, stated that Lake Pocotopaug needs an extensive amount of remediation. Our LQIC can only do so much. To protect our property value we need to protect our lake. Each individual needs to look at what they are doing. Everything done on ones' own property effects the watershed and makes a big difference to the lake.

Public Safety: Bonnie stated:

- There was police presence last night (Aug 17 during the band performance) and there will be police presence during the carnival.
- Boat stickers for boats stored on POALH racks / property during the summer and the reflective street address signs for \$15 can be gotten from Lee. Please also put your address on your boat in case it comes breaks free from where it is stored, the owner can be readily found.
- Please use new parking permits given this year. There were four parking permits sent with the spring packet. The parking permits are registered to the property, so if you sell your property leave the parking permits there for next owner.

Events: Jeff reported:

- He thanked Evelyn and Courtney Harmon for their work on the Events Committee this year. Evelyn will not be organizing the bands next year.
- Overall good turnout with the adult crafts on Friday eve. Will not hold those adult crafts that didn't do well.
- If anyone would like to be on the Events Committee see Jeff.
- He also thanked Debbie Taylor, Linda Abel, and Colleen Sokolowsk for their work on kid's crafts.

Linda Abel, 30 Lookout Dr., stated that adults can play at Kiddie Bingo, but cannot win, also that tomorrow night, Aug 19th, is the Doggie Parade.

Bill Taylor, 22 Wildwood, reminded everyone the Carnival is Sat, Aug 24, from 3-5pm. Kids can buy a ticket for \$5 and play all of the games. Bill is looking for a volunteer to run the games. If interested contact Heather.

Bob Sudell, 113 Lake Shore, that Lake Shore will be closed from LH Town RD to Hay Field for the Beach Games and Carnival from 12-5pm. There is also a movie night on First Beach after the Carnival.

Larry Lusardi, 126 lake Shore, congratulated Heather for a great job with lake Hayward Days.

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Dave Edgington, 25 Wildwood, there will be food at First Beach on Sat, Aug 24, from 12-5pm. Included this year is french fries. See Dave if you want to volunteer.

Jan DePratti, 66 Ridgewood, stated there will also be a professional juggler from the Boston area during the Carnival.

Dredging Project: Bill Taylor reported:

- All contracts are signed.
- Third Beach will be closed immediately after Labor day for site work and will be closed until May 1st.
- After the site work, Pristine Waters will be installing the large bag to hold the dredged material.
- An overview of the remaining steps for the work was given. These steps are in the Aug 21, 2019 newsletter.

Don Smith, 78 Wildwood, asked if there will be room for the docks and boats on Third Beach. Bill replied that there will be.

Colleen Sokolowski, 21 Wildwood, asked if owners need to move boats / kayaks soon after Labor Day. Bill replied there should be enough room to allow getting boats in and out.

Budget Presentation for 2020-2021 Budget and Budget Vote:

- Ed stated to please note that we are voting on the total budget. Only motion to approve the total budget will be accepted. Total budget gets voted on and approved or rejected. Line item adjustment motions are not permitted.
- Ed Bader moved to approved the 2020-2021 budget and it was seconded by Bob Sudell.
- The budget passed with the majority in favor, one opposed, one abstained.

Capital Expenditures Budget: 2019-2020 and 2020-2021

- Bonnie gave an overview of the work to be done in the 2019-2020 capital expenditures budget.
- Ed moved to approve the capital expenditures budget and it was seconded by Bob Sudell. The capital expenditures budget was passed with the majority in favor and two opposed.

Linda Abel, 30 Lookout, asked if a fence could be placed around the retention pond. Ed stated once it's determined work needed for the retention pond, the board will look into it.

Hema DeSilva, 24 Glimmer Glen, asked about direction for Glimmer Glen as it is in bad need of repair. Bonnie stated it will be looked into as upcoming projects are determined. Gary stated he has some money in this years budget for small repairs on Glimmer Glen. Ed stated he and Gary will talk to the EH First Selectman about roads. Bod Sudell stated the reason the town would not take ownership of the road is because they would require it to be widened.

Hema DeSilva, 24 Glimmer Glen, also stated the south cove needs to be dredged.

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Bill Wamaster, 133 Lake Shore, stated we pay a lot in taxes without children in the education system so we need to encourage the town to do more for the residents, in reference to the roads.

Unfinished Business: None.

New Business:

Voting on New Board Members:

- Bonnie thanked the committee members and board for their work this year.
- Bonnie thanked the outgoing board members for their work: Corinne Halliday, Neil Murphy, and Adam Thompson.
- The slate on new boards members was reviewed. There were no nominations from the floor.
- Larry Lusardi moved to accept the slate of new board members. It was seconded. The slate was accepted by a majority, with one opposed and one abstention.

Announcements:

Linda Abel, 30 Lookout Dr, made a motion to have board and spouses go out to dinner paid with association funds. The motion was seconded. There was no discussion. The motion was passed by a majority.

Linda Baily, 15 Ridgewood Rd, stated instead of paying for use of the pavilion, that the member could get their own private insurance to cover people not from the Association. Bonnie stated that that was not the question discussed but would look into it.

Diane Camacho, 143 Longwood Dr, stated the cross walks need to be repainted. Gary stated that it is on the town's list to do. Jason stated that the more association members calling the first selectman helps to move work along to get done.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 am

Respectfully Submitted,

Janet DePratti

POALH Secretary-Clerk

July 2020 Calendar

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
							1		2		3		4
							KIDS BINGO 7 PM						
	5		6		7		8		9		10		11
	TAG SALE 9 AM TO 1 PM		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7 PM				ADULT CRAFT 7:30 PM		JUNIOR CHEF FOR KIDS 11 AM to 2 PM
	12		13		14		15		16		17		18
	SPECIAL EVENT T-DANCE BAND DEE-LISH 3-5 PM		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7 PM						POALH TOWN HALL MTG PAVILION 10 AM PASTA CHALLENGE TBD CENTER LINE BAND 7:30 PM
	19		20		21		22		23		24		25
	PIE EATING CONTEST 12 PM ADULTS AND KIDS		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7 PM POALH BOARD MTG 7PM AT 15 LOOKOUT DR				ADULT CRAFT 7:30 PM		CPR 1-4 PM 2ND BEACH POT LUCK DRAGON FLY BAND 7PM
	26		27		28		29		30		31		
	MEN'S BREAKFAST 10 AM		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7PM 27						

August 2020 Calendar

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday	
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												GOLF TOURNAMENT MOVIE NIGHT DUSK	
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		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7 PM				ADULT CRAFT 7:30 PM		CHICKEN BBQ 1ST BEACH BAND FURIOUS GEORGE 7PM	
9		10		11		12		13		14		15	
		KIDS CRAFTS				KIDS BINGO 7PM		POALH BOARD MTG PAVILION 7PM		LADIES NIGHT 5:30 PM & KARAOKE		CPR 1 TO 4 PM DESSERT GALA 7 PM	
16		17		18		19		20		21		22	
POALH ANNUAL MEETING 10 AM PAVILION		DOGGIE PARADE		CAKE WALK		CHOCOLATE BINGO				NIGHT AT THE RACES 7PM		CARNIVAL 1ST BEACH Games Foods MOVIE NIGHT	
23		24		25		26		27		28		29	
										ADULT CRAFT 7:30 PM		THE SAVAGE BROTHERS BAND 7:30 PM	
30		31											
MENS QUARTET FUSION 2 PM													