

SPRING NEWS

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Witches Woods Tax District will be held on Friday, May 21, 2004, at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be in the lower level meeting room of the Woodstock Town Hall, 415 Route #169. This change of location of the Annual Meeting is a return to the Woodstock Town Hall meeting room. Please park in rear of the building for access to the lower level meeting room

The meeting agenda includes, minutes of the last annual meeting, the reports of the year's activities by the officers and committee chairs, election of officers and directors for next year, presentation and adoption of the annual budget, adoption of a capital improvement program for roads, setting of next year's tax rate and tax due dates, setting of the date for the fall lake drawdown, and any other business that may come before the voters. Please try to attend this very important annual meeting. The full agenda as proposed by the Witches Woods Board of Directors is as follows:

1. Call of meeting to order;
2. Proof of notice of meeting to be read by the Clerk of the District;
3. Presentation of minutes of 2003 Annual Meeting;
4. Presentation of reports of the officers of the District;
5. Presentation of reports of committee chairs;
6. Election of Officers and the members of the Board of Directors for 2004-2005;
7. Presentation of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2004-2005;
8. Adopt an annual budget for said District for fiscal year 2004-2005;
9. Adopt a capital improvement plan and budget for fiscal year 2004-2005 for said District;
10. Fix an annual tax rate and tax due dates for said District;
11. Setting of the date for the fall lake drawdown;
12. Transact other business which may come before the voters of the District and;
13. Adjournment of meeting.

Getting Involved

Anyone interested in helping out or becoming involved with the Witches Wood Tax District is

encouraged to contact District Clerk Cliff Moon at (860) 974-1398. Involvement can also be at a less involved level such as, assisting a Board member on an issue that is of interest to you.

Road Work to Begin on Crooked Trail

Beginning in early May, construction will start on the next section of Crooked Trail. The road construction work will continue the improvements to the drainage system to control water from storms and heavy rainfall. Three storm drains and associated pipes will be installed along the south side of Crooked Trail. The water flow will be removed from the road surface to this underground system. This will eliminate the road washouts, potholes and ruts in the road. This is the second of three sections of planned drainage work along Crooked Trail and will connect with the first section installed in 2002. The remaining section will continue the drainage further west on Crooked Trail.

The construction will not close the road, but it is expected that occasional road traffic stoppages will occur during the construction period. Please be patience and use care when driving by the construction area and watch out for the safety of the construction workers.

Boats

Please remember, that the State of Connecticut requires that operators of power boats be certified. Obtaining a certification involves passing a training course. This law applies to power boats used on our lake. Also, a Witches Woods boat sticker is required for all hard sided boats on the lake. This includes not only power boats, but sailboats, row boats, canoes, and paddle boats. The stickers can be obtained from Elmer MacCluskey at 56 Crooked Trail, telephone number (860) 974-2292, for the fee of \$5. Stickers will also be available at the Annual Meeting on May 21st. The stickers do not have to be replaced each year. The sticker is good for as long as it remains affixed on the boat. The purpose of the sticker is to identify that the boat belongs on Witches Woods Lake.

Road Safety

The laws governing road use for the State of Connecticut also apply to the roads around Witches Woods Lake. Only registered vehicles driven by licensed drivers are allowed on Witches Woods Lake roads. Please observe the speed limit of 15 MPH.