

August 5, 2019 Witches Woods Tax District

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Mike Moran, Glen Humes, Tom Pandolfi, Jim Hutten, Sandy Pandolfi, Phyllis Bonneau, Ray Bonneau, Maggie Houlihan and Bill Breslau

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved to Accept Last Month's Minutes.

Reports of Committee Chairs:

Lake, Dam and Beaches – Jim Hutten

- Our General Liability insurance is due for renewal August 26, 2019 in the amount of \$5,899.04 with Archambault Insurance Associates. This provides \$2 million per occurrence and \$2 million dollars aggregate. This is an increase of \$117 over last year's policy.

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved to renew our General Liability insurance policy with Archabault Insurance Associates and to approve payment in the amount of \$5,899.04.

- An application of an herbicide treatment took place on July 31st. Jim received a call from a homeowner that his renter complained that they were chased out of the water and could not use the lake for swimming that day. The homeowner felt that they had not received enough notice. Treatment typically happens some time during the third and fourth week of July but the application date is weather dependent. It is suggested that homeowners who rent sign up for our e-mail notifications to help them stay current with lake activities. In addition the treatment schedule is discussed at the Witches Woods Tax District Annual Meeting and included in the minutes which appear on our website [wwlake.com](http://www.wlake.com).
- Jim received the results of the water quality from Microbac Laboratories, Inc. and the results clearly indicate a safe, clean lake:

Test #1 taken at Beach #1, 171 Crooked Trail for Escherichia Coli result is 2 out of a limit of 235.

Test #2 Boat Launce area ob Crooked Trail Ext for Escherichia Coli result is 7.5 out of a limit of 235.

Test #3 taken at Spill Way Beach @ end of Crooked Trail for Escherichia Coli result is 3.1 out of a limit of 235.

Building, Zoning & Appeals – Ray Bonneau

- Permit #19-73M was issued to Henry Fontaine of 35 Crooked Trail Extension for a gas to extend a deck.

Safety, Rules, and Regulations – Bill Breslau

- Mike Moran received an e-mail from a resident on Bungay Lake who is upset with residents from Witches Woods Lake taking their canoes and kayaks over to Bungay Lake. She observed six people crossing the dam from our lake to Bungay. Mike will contact the president of their lake association to see what the opinion is of having a reciprocal to either allow it or not.
- Letters went out to two homeowners who have not sent in their 2020 Boat Registrations and do not bear a 2020 State of Connecticut sticker. Reminders were sent to several homeowners who have registered their boats, have current 2020 State of Connecticut stickers but have not filed a copy with the Lake Clerk.
- Only people authorized to drive a power boat MUST have taken and passed a Safe Boating Course and MUST have provided a copy to Lake Clerk, Sandy Pandolfi. A copy can be e-mailed to her at secretary@wwlake.com.
- After 2017, anyone who tows a skier or tuber must have a passed a State of Connecticut Safe Waterskiing Endorsement course which can be taken on-line. Once passed and the fee paid, the certificate will be mailed to you. A copy must be send to our Lake clerk, Sandy Pandolfi at secretary@wwlake.com.
- A previous Resolution was Made, Seconded and Approved to notify a homeowner of our intent to impose a fine for failure to comply with State of Connecticut boating regulations. A Hearing date has been rescheduled for September 9, 2019.

Roads – Tom Pandolfi:

- John Albrecht is starting to work on the road maintenance.
- Full Miles Ground LLC will begin trimming the sides of the roads, clearing brush, weeds and cleaning out the culverts.

Communications – Phyllis Bonneau:

- Phyllis is working with our new webmaster, Sarah Torcellini and our updated website will be up shortly.
- Phyllis presented several Witches Woods Tax District logos that Sarah has designed. The Board would also like to have additional logos submitted before we make a decision.
- We would like to add some photos to our website but photos from mobile devices do not have enough pixels to upload to photos must be taken with a camera.

Treasurer- Maggie Houlihan:

- Maggie closed out the Fiscal Year budget and thanked Fred Chmura for walking her through the process.
- Our CD accrued \$51.91 cents interest this month.
- All current bills have been paid.
- Tax collection is currently at \$26,646.
- Maggie suggested that a committee be formed to audit the Treasurer's areas of responsibility. The Board will contact past auditors to see if they would agree to conduct the audit.

New Business:

Nothing to report

A Motion was Made, Seconded and Approved to adjourn the meeting.

The Next Board Meeting will be September 9, 2019.

A reminder to homeowners that they are welcome to attend this and any Monthly Board Meeting to observe the proceedings. Should they wish to bring something to the Board for review, please submit a notice prior to the meeting so it may be added to the agenda for an allotted time.