

**GARDNER LAKE AUTHORITY**  
270 Hartford Road  
Salem, CT 06240

Meeting Minutes of April 9, 2026  
Montville Public Safety Building

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

**Attendees**

Bozrah: Henry Granger, Justin LaPre, Don LaPre  
Montville: Bill Wrobel, Scott Soderberg  
Salem: Chris Rios, Jane Coffee

Absent: Lou Allen  
Recording Secretary: Kate Johnson  
Guest: John Hummel  
A quorum was noted.

**Welcome:** Henry welcomed newly appointed Salem member Jane Coffee.

**Election of Officers**

The following slate of officers was presented:

Chair: Henry Granger  
Co-Chair: Justin LaPre  
Treasurer: Chris Rios  
Secretary: No nominees

With no secretary to cast a vote to approve, by consensus the motion passed unanimously.

**Minutes**

Minutes of the March 12, 2026 meeting were presented. Chris Rios made a motion to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Bill Wrobel. The motion passed unanimously.

**Administration, Communication and Correspondence**

- **Bill Wrobel term renewed:** The Montville Town Council renewed Bill's position for another three years.
- **Census:** An annual notice from the Census Bureau was received. No response is required as GLA has no employees. [Kate is paid for recording secretary as a contract service.]
- **Montville Patrol:** Lt Radford was unable to attend due to a prior commitment. He provided pricing for the 2026 patrol, but noted that staffing on weekends continues to face challenges. Montville would provide as many patrols as possible. GLA's coverage agreement would include: 1) an executed contract; 2) spot check/infraction report(s); and 3) coverage of one fishing tournament. With DEEP also unable to provide full agreement coverage in the past, there was discussion about splitting the patrol between Montville and DEEP.
- **Invoice from Kate Johnson:** In the amount of \$100 for the March meeting minutes. Jane Coffee made a motion to approve payment; seconded by Justin LaPre. The motion passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report**

Chris Rios presented the April Treasurer's Reports.

### **Committee Business**

- **Law Enforcement Patrol:** See Montville Patrol above.
- **Water Quality Sampling:** GLA will check with Greg Bugbee, CT Agricultural Experiment Station's Office of Aquatic Invasive Species, to see when this year's plant survey will be scheduled.
- **Hydrilla Treatment:** An estimate was received in January from The Pond and Lake Connection for two herbicides to treat hydrilla. Herbicide options will be discussed with Greg Bugbee to learn what is being used around the state and what is working well.
- **Dam/Drawdown Updates:** The dam gate was closed on or around March 6.

**Old Business** None.

**New Business** See above.

**Public Comment** None.

### **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, May 14, 2026 at Salem Town Hall beginning at 7:00 pm. The public is welcome to attend.

### **Adjournment**

Chris Rios made a motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m.; seconded by Jane Coffee. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Kate Johnson,  
Recording Secretary