

GARDNER LAKE AUTHORITY

270 Hartford Road
Salem, CT 06240

Meeting Minutes of October 13, 2011
Montville Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 7:09 p.m.

Member Roll Call

Bozrah: Jim McArdle, Chair; Henry Granger, Scott Soderberg
Montville: Ed Socha, Jr., Bill Wrobel, Kate Johnson
Salem: Bob Neddo, Russ Smith

Absent: Lou Allen

A quorum was noted.
Guests in attendance: 4

Minutes

The minutes of the September 8, 2011 meeting were presented. Bill Wrobel made a motion to accept the minutes; seconded by Russ Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Attachments: Treasurer's Report dated 9/15/11, for the period August 16-September 15 (faxed).

Administration/Correspondence/Communication

- **Ecosystem Consulting Service, Inc. Invoice:** Dated 9/1/11, received, in the amount of \$1,579.60 (first installment of contract). Kate Johnson made a motion to approve payment; seconded by Henry Granger. The motion passed unanimously.
- **CT DEEP Drawdown Letter :** Dated 9/30/11, received, responding to our request for drawdown. DEEP has approved a drawdown of 3 feet, commencing on or about October 1, and will be managed by George Haag from Devil's Hopyard. Normal water surface is scheduled to be restored by a targeted date of April 15. A bill will be sent at the end of the 2011/2012 drawdown season. There was discussion confirming drawdown levels being compatible with hydrant capabilities.
- **Mayor Jaskiewicz:** The Mayor spoke, on behalf of the Town of Montville, expressing appreciation for the work and dedication of the Gardner Lake Authority.
- **GLA Letter to DEEP Commissioner Esty:** Russ reviewed the draft letter to be sent to Commissioner Esty, and emailed to representatives and Town officials. Henry Granger made a motion to send the letter certified, signature requested; seconded by Ed Socha. The motion passed unanimously.
- **GLA Email Address:** Discussion continued about establishing our own email address to allow the public to become more involved. A GLA contact person would need to be designated.

Treasurer's Report

Russ presented the September 15 Treasurer's Report:

A deposit in the amount of \$1,200 from the Town of Bozrah was made. Kate Johnson made a motion to accept the August 16, 2011 – September 15, 2011 Treasurer's Report; seconded by Henry Granger. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee Business

- A) **Law Enforcement Patrol:** None. Season concluded.
- B) **Boating:** Bob will make inquiries in the spring regarding sponsorship of a 2012 class.

- C) **Water Quality Sampling:** Jim will invite Dr. Kortmann to the November meeting to present this year's sampling results. Upon confirmation that Dr. Kortmann will be able to attend, Kate will submit a press release with the meeting announcement to the Norwich Bulletin, The Day and to Sue Coffee with the Friends of Gardner Lake. We will also invite Chris McDowell, DEEP, who is concluding a study on the effects of lake drawdowns [contact provided by Sue Coffee].

Old Business

None.

New Business

- **Annual Letter/Report:** Kate will research historical records and prepare the 2011 annual letter/report.
- **Connecticut Federation of Lakes (CFL):** We will learn more about CFL, what role they serve with Connecticut's lakes and what future programs will be coming up.

Public Comment

- **Lake Resident Mail List:** Sue Coffee, Friends of Gardner Lake, is putting together a list of residents living on the lake. Russ provided a list from 2006. The Towns' assessors would be helpful in updating the list.
- **Email Address:** Sue provided a contact name for setting up an email.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2011 at the Salem Town Hall at 7:00 pm. This will be the last meeting of the 2011-2012 season. Bill Wrobel made a motion to adjourn at 8:21 p.m.; seconded by Scott Soderberg. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Kate Johnson,
Secretary