

Lake Chaffee Improvement Inc.
Board of Directors Minutes
October 8, 2008

President Laura Koropatkin called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

IN ATTENDANCE: Laura Koropatkin, Kay Warren, Jack Pirzl, Brenda Chisholm, Diana Murray, Tom Martin, Gerry Dufresne, Debby Coulombe (Alt), Ed Chisholm (Alt)

Kari Olson arrived at 8:05 pm to replace alternate Ed Chisholm.

PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE: Barbara & John Perry, Art Miller, Cesar Barrios, Pauline Backhaus, Bonnie Sherman, Jacqueline Kennedy, Jeff Schroder, Gay Leedie, John Mayer, Sandra Moquin

Mr. Chuck Lee attended our meeting to answer questions from Lake Chaffee members regarding the issue of weeds. Mr. Lee addressed the different methods of removing weeds and the impact those methods would have on the environment as well as our budget.

Mr. Chuck could not make a recommendation regarding which method he would choose because he does not know exactly what type of plant vegetation we have in our lake. Mr. Chuck strongly recommended a thorough survey of the lake to determine what type of vegetation we are dealing with; only then can he make a recommendation for the best and most economical way to address this problem. Please see attached letter written by Diana Murray.

Diana Murray will be contacting Greg Bugby of the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station which offers surveys of lakes in Connecticut free of charge. Diana will see if we can be placed on a list of lakes requesting their services. It is a first come first serve basis so there is no guarantee that they will be able to accommodate us next summer.

Kari Olson has been in contact with George Knoecklein, a Limnologist from Connecticut (scientist who studies lakes); he offered his services to complete a lake survey. The cost for this service is \$750.00.

At the September 10th meeting Rich Rodrigue requested the board of directors purchase 4 triploid grass carp to address the weed problem; Diana Murray has been in contact with Mr. Brian Murphy at the Inland Fisheries Division of the Connecticut DEP regarding using these Carp. At this time DEP will not give us permission to use triploid grass carp because we cannot assure their containment in our lake.

PUBLIC TO BE HEARD:

Pauline Backhaus expressed her feelings about the shouting that occurred during the Board of Directors meeting on September 10, 2008. Pauline reminded everyone that the "Public to be Heard" portion of the meeting is for the public to bring issues to the attention of the board members so the board can discuss those issues and vote on them. The meeting is not to be used as a shouting match between members of the association and the board members. The board thanks Pauline for her comments.

SECRETARY'S MINUTES:

Kari Olson motioned and Gerry Dufresne seconded that the secretary's minutes of September 10, 2008 be approved amended to reflect the following corrections:

- Under PUBLIC TO BE HEARD, Gerry clarified that the noise from contractors was only reported once or twice. The problem had been addressed and there had been no further issues as of September 10, 2008.
- Also, under PUBLIC TO BE HEARD, Correct the spelling of "culvert".
- Under SECRETARY'S MINUTES, Tom martin should have been capitalized, reading Tom Martin.
- Under IN ATTENDANCE, Correct spelling of Dianna Murray should read "Diana Murray".

Motion passed with two abstained.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Gerry Dufresne made a motion to approve the treasurer's report of October 1, 2008. Kay Warren seconded the motion; motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Sandy Moquin needs help with raking the main beach between 10/26/08 and 10/31/08. Ed Chisholm and Laura Koropatkin volunteered, still more volunteers are needed.
- Mother's beach also needs to be weeded, volunteers would be appreciated
- Sandy Moquin and Karen brought the raft in from the main beach as far as they could and removed the buoys.
- Rich Rodrigue brought the raft further in and removed the ladder.
- Permission was given to Sandy Moquin to conduct a tag sale for newer items at the Chaffee Hall on the same day as the Bazaar. Tables will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact Sandy or Kay if you are interested in renting a table. Sandy and Kay will be consulting each other as to how many tables have been rented.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Road Plowing: Five contractors were asked to bid; we received only one proposal in the amount of \$7,800 from Jeff Schroder for snow plowing for the 2008/2009 season. Kari Olson motioned to accept Jeff's proposal, Kay Warren seconded, motion passed.
- Road Sanding: We received only one proposal in the amount of \$250.00 per 5 yard load, as needed, from Hispky Construction. Kay Warren motioned to accept Hispky's proposal, Kari Olson seconded, Motion Passed.

Kari Olson motioned to adjourn meeting at 9:20pm, Brenda Chisholm seconded, meeting adjourned.

I would like to include a special "Thank You" to Chuck Lee for donating his time to attend our meeting. I would also like to extend a special "Thank you" to Kari Olson for helping me with information for these minutes. And a very special "Thank You" to Diana Murray for her synopsis of the presentation by Mr. Chuck Lee.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Chisholm
LCIA Secretary