

LAKE CHAFFEE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC  
DIRECTORS MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2009  
6:30 PM - CHAFFEE HALL

President Laura Koropatkin called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.

**In attendance:** Laura Koropatkin, Kay Warren, Tom Martin, Jack Pirzl, Laurie Layton, Diana Murray, Brenda Chisholm  
Kay Warren motioned to seat Ed Chisholm as alternate, Tom Martin seconded, motion passed.

No public in attendance

**Secretary's Minutes:** Kay Warren motioned to accept Secretary's minutes of March 11, 2009, Laurie Layton seconded, motion passed. Ed Chisholm abstained.  
Corrections noted: Under Environmental Report: "...board of directors to put a motor boat in the water for one day." should read: "...board of directors to **put** a motor boat in the water for one day."

**Treasurer's Report:** Brenda Chisholm motioned to accept the Treasurer's report of March 11, 2009, Laurie Layton seconded, motion passed.

*Brenda Chisholm motioned to move old business ahead of Constable Report due to time restraints, Laurie Layton seconded, motion passed.*

**Old Business:**

After review of the permit for the trailer on Union Drive, it was found to be a temporary permit. The board will look into this issue further.

A letter will be drafted to address the properties that are in violation of our ordinance regarding unregistered vehicles.

The decision to draft a letter to a Lakeview Drive property owner regarding the issue of property lines has been tabled until a later date.

Laurie Layton reported that Bob Layton needs more ad's for the May 2009 Newsletter.

Laurie Layton inquired about how the board plans to address the issue with the damaged valve to the dam. It has been reported by Mike Mahoney that if we lower the lake we cannot shut the valve off without permanent damage to the valve. However, we cannot look at the valve until the lake is lowered again.

Some of the board member suggestions were to:

1. Replace the valve which can be costly
2. Look into purchasing a siphon for lowering the lake
3. Putting a valve on the outside of the dam

Diana Murray wished to clarify the reason for wanting permission from the board to allow Mr. Bugby to put a motor boat in the water for one day. Mr. Bugby would need to survey the lake to see what type of weeds we are dealing with in the Lake Chaffee waters before recommending the best and most economical way to eliminate the over growth of weeds. To do this Mr. Bugby would need to use a motor boat to bring his equipment out into the lake as the equipment is heavy.

We will not know for sure whether we will be able to utilize Mr. Bugby's services until the State of Connecticut Agricultural Extension Service knows whether it will have the finances to conduct the free surveys of Connecticut Lakes.

*Kay Warren motioned to allow Greg Bugby of the State of Connecticut Agricultural Extension Service and his team permission to put a motor boat in the waters of Lake Chaffee for one day to conduct a weed survey. Brenda Chisholm seconded; motion passed.*

**Constable Report:** All has been very quiet

**Road Report:** Laura reported that grading and aggregate will begin on dirt roads in April/May, weather permitting.

**Bingo** Jack reported that we had a very good month for bingo. The deposit for the month was \$1214.25! On Saturday April 4, there were 49 people in attendance.

Volunteers are still needed for bingo floor workers.

Brenda Chisholm will contact Smitty's for permission to post a sign looking for volunteers.

Kay Warren will also post a sign at Bingo; Bob Layton will post notification on the LCIA website.

Anybody who wishes to volunteer can contact Kay Warren @ 487-3744.

*Diana Murray motioned to hang a plaque in honor of Dot Borst on the wall of honor at the Lake Chaffee Hall, Ed Chisholm seconded, motion passed.*

Dot Borst donated her time and effort to provide baked goods for bingo since 1977.

Kay would like to thank Gerry Dufresne and Brenda Chisholm for filling in for bingo when we did not have a floor worker available.

**Kitchen Report:** Kay reported the pot luck supper held in March was a success

We are still in need of kitchen workers to go through the training with Kay. The training takes approximately 2 hours to complete. Kitchen help is needed Saturdays between 4:00 pm and approximately 8:00 pm.

**Beach Report:** We need volunteers to rake the main beach. Volunteers can rake at their convenience, notice is not necessary. Leaf blowers can be used as well.

The ladder to the raft is missing, if anyone has any information please contact Brenda Chisholm @ 487-0948.

The porta-potty should be installed just before Memorial Day

**Environmental Report:** Nothing new to report

**Fundraiser Report:** Nothing to report

**Correspondence:** A letter of resignation was received by Debbie Coulombe.

Debbie apologized in her letter for not being able to fulfill her commitment as an alternate director.

*Kay Warren motioned to accept the resignation of Debbie Coulombe, Gerry Dufresne seconded, motion passed.*

A letter from Wilson's Roofing Company was received and read regarding an estimate for roof repairs. This issue will be tabled until we receive more estimates for review.

**New Business:** Diana questioned if we can take on the task of increasing taxes as it is becoming increasingly difficult to meet the budget with the current funding. Laura reported that it is a big process to obtain approval, especially during these difficult financial times.

Tom Martin motioned to adjourn the meeting, Brenda Chisholm seconded,  
Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brenda Chisholm,  
LCIA Secretary