

LAKE CHAFFEE IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION, INC  
ELECTION OF OFFICERS MINUTES  
SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2010

Acting President Kay Warren called the meeting to order @2:03 pm. noting that there was a quorum.

**Secretary's Minutes:** Diana Murray motioned to accept the Secretary's minutes of June 27, 2010; seconded by Kari Olson, motion passed with 5 abstained.

**Treasurer's Report:** Kay reported this is the same report that was given and to the board of directors on Wednesday, July, 14, 2010. Tom Martin motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Kari Olson; motion passed.

**Election of Officers:**

**President:**

Kay Warren was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Pauline Backhaus.  
Nominations were closed. ***Secretary cast one vote for Kay Warren.***

**Vice President:**

Tom Martin was nominated by Kari Olson, seconded by Brenda Chisholm, respectfully declined.  
Dennis Flaherty was nominated by Debby Lathrop, seconded by Pauline Backhaus.  
Nominations were closed. ***Secretary cast one vote for Dennis Flaherty.***

**Secretary:**

Brenda Chisholm was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Kari Olson.  
Nominations were closed. ***Decision was unanimous.***

**Treasurer:**

Eric Parent was nominated by Kari Olson, seconded by Tom Martin.  
Nominations were closed. ***Secretary cast one vote for Eric Parent.***

**1<sup>st</sup> Director Position:**

Laurie Layton was nominated by Debby Lathrop, seconded by Kari Olson.  
Nominations were closed. ***Decision was unanimous.***

**2<sup>nd</sup> Director Position:**

Christopher Magistri was nominated by Kay Warren, seconded by Brenda Chisholm.  
Gerry Dufresne was nominated by Tom Martin, seconded by Ed Chisholm.  
Carol Natitus was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Brenda Chisholm.  
Nominations were closed. **Results: Carol (10) Christopher (7) Gerry (6)**  
***Carol Natitus voted into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Director position.***

**1<sup>st</sup> Alternate Position:**

Betty Dunn was nominated by Kari Olson, seconded by Tom Martin.  
Sandy Moquin was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Tom Martin.  
Debby Lathrop was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Eric Parent.  
Christopher Magistri was nominated by Kay Warren, seconded by Kari Olson.  
Tony Lyons was nominated by Bob Layton, seconded by Brenda Chisholm.  
Nominations were closed.

**Results: Sandy (6) Christopher (6) Debby (5) Betty (3) Tony (2)**

Second vote taken to break tie between Sandy Moquin and Christopher magistri

**Results: Sandy (12) Christopher (10)**

**Sandy Moquin voted into the 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate position.**

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate Position:

Debby Lathrop was nominated by Bob Layton, seconded by Ed Chisholm.

Gerry Dufresne was nominated by Diana Murray, seconded by Ed Chisholm.

Christopher Magistri was nominated by Kay Warren, seconded by Betty Dunn.

Nominations were closed.

**Results: Gerry (12) Christopher (6) Debby (6)**

**Gerry Dufresne voted into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate position.**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Alternate Position:

Christopher Magistri was nominated by Gerry Dufresne, seconded by Diana Murray.

Debby Lathrop was nominated by Laurie Layton, seconded by Dennis Flaherty.

Liz Provencha was nominated by Eric Parent, seconded by Dennis Flaherty.

**Results: Christopher (9) Liz (8) Debby (6)**

**Christopher Magistri voted into the 3<sup>rd</sup> Alternate position.**

**Votes were counted by Dennis Flaherty and Jason Sherman. Thank you to both Dennis and Jason.**

### Chairman Reports:

#### Road:

- Gerry reports that he hopes to continue/finish paving on Armitage Court after the August 2010 budget meeting.
- We will be grading roads in the fall.
- Gerry will begin working on a snowplow contract so we will have that lined up for the winter.
- Ralph Graziola questioned the brush hanging over some of the roads. Gerry is well aware of this problem however it takes money which we don't have or volunteers. Many people including Ralph volunteered their time; a list was going around the room. Thank you to all the volunteers, now if we can get this coordinated....

#### Constable Report:

- Some mailboxes have been knocked over, an idea of who was doing it but no witnesses; it has since stopped.
- Road sign was pulled out, that has been put back up.
- Fourth of July weekend was pretty quiet, fireworks around the lake, cars had to be moved but all were cooperative.
- **ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY PLEASE BE MINDFUL – THERE IS NO PARKING ON ASSOCIATION OR TOWN ROADS. EMERGENCY VEHICLES (FIRE, AMBULANCE, RESCUE) WILL PUSH A PRIVATE VEHICLE OUT OF THE WAY IF NECESSARY!**

**Beach Report:** Please see attached report submitted by Sandra Moquin.

- It has come to the Board's attention that Jessica Grant, Aron Giglio and Kathy Labaron have been taking care of Mother's Beach, a very big "Thank You" to those members for keeping Mother's Beach looking so nice!
- **Debby Lathrop motioned for the Board of Directors to look into a piece of property on Amidon Drive for use as a right of way for a boat launch area. Seconded by Kari Olson. Motion rescinded by Debby Lathrop.**
- **Ed Chisholm motioned to investigate the possibility of designating a small area of Mother's Beach to be used as a boat launch. Seconded by Kari Olson. Motion passed.**
- The secretary would like to thank Sandy for her written report!

#### Bingo Report:

- Jack reported that it has been a good year so far.
- Eric Parent suggested that we run an ad in the Reminder News to draw new people into bingo.
- Another suggestion was to post flyers at local supermarkets, and other local areas.
- Jack reminded everyone we still need more help on the floor and in the kitchen.
- A training session will be set up soon for the kitchen; bingo floor workers need a state pin number (see Jack).

### Fundraising Report:

- We need a chairperson for fundraising.
- Kay reported she would like to have another dinner like the one in June, this one before the August meeting.

### Environmental Report: Please see attached report submitted by Diana Murray.

- ***Reminder to all Association members: low or no fertilizers should be used on lawns around the lake; remove the leaves from the lake bottom when exposed; planting buffer zones of native plants between your lawn and the lake is encouraged; use of phosphate free detergents is encouraged; and please remove floating organic matter when you see it while boating.***
- The water testing has been good, Diana has been mixing the sample sites; the main beach will always be tested.
- We have a lot of fresh water clams in our lake this year; Diana believes this is due to not lowering the lake this past year.
- Diana reported on the benefits of becoming a member of the Connecticut Federation of Lakes; they conduct studies and we could receive information via their website and newsletters.
- The secretary would like to thank Diana for her written report!

### Newsletter: Anyone who has any articles for a future newsletter please contact Kay @ 487-3744

### Correspondence:

- The Board told the membership about the email received on July 3, 2010 regarding a property advertised as a RV lot. The board assured that trailers/campers are not allowed.

### Old Business:

- Kay reported that there were people swimming near the dam. **Swimming is not allowed on, at, or near the LCIA dam.**

### Valve:

- Kay explained to the members in attendance that we have contracted to have the valve replaced! Work will begin in the fall 2010.
- We have contracted with Lance Prentiss, owner of Hayward Construction Company at the cost of \$8,500.
- The cost will be covered with money available in the Lake maintenance fund.
- This will be a two valve system consisting of a regular valve and a back up valve; we will alternate valves to keep them both working.
- Mr. Prentiss has 26 years experience; is licensed to do underground piping, and will not need to lower the lake to do the work.
- A question was asked if there were any opinion that lowering the lake does any good – The response was “yes” Numerous reports have verified that lowering the lake is healthy for the lake.

### Swimming Lessons: We are making a little money; the kids are enjoying the lessons

### New Business:

- Raising Taxes: We have to go to the State Legislature to raise taxes, we can't just decide to raise them ourselves.
- Using the Chaffee Hall: Can only be open 60 times per year; bingo takes 52, annual meetings take 3.

Brenda Chisholm motioned to adjourn meeting at 4:07 pm, Kari Olson seconded; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brenda Chisholm,  
LCIA Secretary

