

Lake Hopatcong Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes –July 11, 2022
125 Landing Rd, Landing NJ 07850

I. Opening of Meeting/Open Public Meeting Statement

- a. In accordance with the Open Meeting Law, The Lake Hopatcong Commission has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof delivered or mailed or electronically mailed to the following:

DAILY RECORD the NEW JERSEY HERALD and posted on the Lake Hopatcong Commission website (lakehopatcongcommission.org)

II. Salute to the Flag and Moment of Silence

III. Roll Call

Present: Bradley Hoferkamp, Daniel McCarthy, Joshua Osowski, Anne Seibert-Pravs, Neil Senatore, Fred Steinbaum, Todd Stevens, Eric Wilsusen, Ronald Smith

Absent: Mark Crowley, Laura Franek, Ryan Gilfillan, Karen Porfido, Robert Tessier,

Alternates Present: Bill Hirschfeld, Steven Levinson, Shawn Pottillo, Thomas Sellaro

With ten members present, Chair Smith declares a quorum.

IV. Executive Session

Chair Smith states there is no need for an executive session.

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Chair Smith entertains a motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Steinbaum makes a motion to approve the minutes, Commissioner Wilsusen seconds the motion.

Roll Call:

Pottillo	Yes	Senatore	Yes
Hoferkamp	Yes	Steinbaum	Yes
McCarthy	Yes	Stevens	Yes
Osowski	Yes	Wilsusen	Yes
Pravs	Yes	Smith	Yes

The motion passes unanimously.

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VI. Treasurer’s Report

Chair Smith entertains a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Commissioner Stevens provides a review of the list of bills. He states that there is \$554,483 in the Commission’s account. Commissioner Pravs makes a motion, Commissioner McCarthy seconds the motion.

Roll Call:

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Pravs	Yes	Smith	Yes

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VII. Correspondence

Colleen Lyons provides an update on the Commission correspondence. She states that the Commission received no new correspondence and land use applications are available on the Commission’s OneDrive.

VIII. Chairman’s Report

Chairman Smith states that there have been no updates on the quarry settlement and asks Mrs. Lyons to contact Murphy Durkin for an update.

IX. LHC Commissioner’s Comments

Commissioner Pravs asks whether harvested weeds are being dewatered. Chair Smith states that the weeds are dewatered in Jefferson and are reduced by two-thirds their weight. Commissioner Wilsusen states that Colonel Callahan of NJSP met with the mayors and police departments. He states that hazard markers are getting moved around the lake, and Aids to Navigation cannot get here quick enough to fix them.

X. Administrator’s Update

Colleen Lyons provides an update on her activities. She states that in response to sediment in the quarry stream Hopatcong will send a notice of violation to Valiante, which allows them to clean up the stream. She states that the Jefferson code enforcement officer went out with NJSP to view dilapidated lake front structures. He will be issuing notice of violation to properties identified through the survey. She states that the Byram Cove continuous monitoring buoy has been tampered

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with and removed from the lake. She states that she and Kyle are working with Princeton Hydro to identify options for HAB treatments should a HAB occur in the future.

XI. Weed Harvesting Report

In Michael Calderio's absence Chair Smith states that harvesters are cutting in Crescent Cove.

XII. Lake Hopatcong Foundation Updates

Marty Kane provides an update on Foundation activities. He states that the floating classroom had its first public cruise which sailed out of Nolan's Point. He states that the annual gala is on July 21st at the Stonewater Restaurant. Mr. Kane states that the Boat Regulation Commission will meet at the Lake Hopatcong Yacht Club on Wednesday at 10am. The House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee will also be at LHYC on July 22nd hosted by Congressman Malinowski. He provides an update on the Fountain and states that no further lake's funding was allocated in the FY23 budget. He provides details on lake's funding. He states that Mikie Sherrill's \$90M funding line for sewers in Jefferson is still in the Senate.

XIII. Princeton Hydro Updates

Dr. Fred Lubnow provides an update on Princeton Hydro's activities. He states that he forwarded the HAB grant report to the Commission this morning. He states that they continue to monitor aeration systems and the freshwater wetland island installations. He states that weed growth is low, phosphorus concentrations in May were high, but they went down in June. Dr. Lubnow provides an update on the Trout Study, Cyanotoxin Monitoring. He states that Highland's Council grant proposals will be forwarded to Jefferson and Roxbury for review this week.

XIV. Fountain Presentation

Justin McCarthy a graduate of Steven's Institute gives a presentation on his group's evaluation of the fountain at Hopatcong State Park.

XV. Updates

State Park Updates

Commissioner Osowski states that the State Park was shut down today because the sewer system was not functioning properly. The fix will be an additional grinder pump.

CAC Meeting

Commissioner Osowski states that DEP is wrapping up comments and meetings will begin in September.

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Committee Updates

Land Use Committee Update

Chair Tessier is not present.

Budget

Chair Steinbaum has no updates.

Finance

Chair Stevens has no updates.

Bylaws

Chair Crowley has no updates.

Planning

Chair McCarthy has no updates.

Public Outreach

Chair Pravs states that the goose management committee has been meeting with small homeowner associations.

Weed Harvesting

Chair Smith states that they have been receiving positive comments from the public.

Ice Retardant

Chair McCarthy states that they have scheduled a meeting for Friday at 10am.

Ad-Hoc Trout Stocking

Chair McCarthy has no updates.

Ad Hoc Goose Management

Updates provided under Public Outreach.

XVI. New Items

No new items.

XVII. Public Comments

No public comments.

XVIII. Action Items

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Chair Smith entertains a motion to accept Mrs. Lyons contract. Commissioner Steinbaum makes a motion. Commissioner Wilsusen seconds the motion.

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Osowski	Yes	Wilsusen	Yes
Pravs	Yes	Smith	Yes

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XIX. Close of Meeting

Chairman Smith entertains a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Steinbaum makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Hoferkamp seconds the motion. The meeting is adjourned.

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