ROGERS LAKE AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF December 13, 2023

A meeting of the Rogers Lake Authority (RLA) was convened at Rogers Lake Clubhouse at 7:32 PM on December 13th and was called to order by Mark Hastings. The following members were present: Toni Phillips (via phone), Joel Hawkins, Jenell Janes, and Mark Hastings. The minutes were recorded by Erica Correia.

There was 1 member of the public in attendance.

The November 8th, 2023 minutes were read aloud. Motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Toni Phillips and seconded by Joel Hawkins. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Budget review – Minimal expenses of clerk fee and winterizing the boat to prepare it for storage.

Patrol Boat

Personnel planning for next season – will discuss more at January meeting to develop a plan. How and where to advertise for the position? Mark has to make a case to town and get comparable job opportunity info.

Update on Water Quality Report from Yale – Mark has been in contact with Yale. They are finishing up analysis and we should have a report after Christmas including the data that was requested.

DEEP Meeting at Dam on December 13th – Mark met at dam with construction company, Dave Evers, and Kevin Job from DEEP. Once Mark has specifics of construction solution he would like the company that built the dam to review the plans to ensure it works from an engineering perspective. Draw down period next September would likely be a good time to complete this project.

RLA Calendar – Only outstanding item is information on the surveys which Mark will get to Toni.

NEW BUSINESS

Draft Budget and Capital Plan for 2024/2025 – Must be submitted to town by December 22nd and then we speak to town in January regarding proposal. Discussion around dollar usage but did not make any changes as RLA members agreed with proposal**.**

Capital Plan – currently requesting $15,000 for dam modification but may not fall under RLA budget. Discussion around if Lyme should be contributing to cost of dam modification if Old Lyme owns the dam but residents of both towns will be benefiting from dam modification. At some point will need another patrol boat.

Meeting Dates for 2024 – February meeting is currently scheduled on Valentine's Day so will hold it on February 7th. All others will be held 2nd Wednesday of each month.

Any Other New Business – Boathouse will be closed fully this weekend and will try to get docks back in by mid-March.
Toni saw a dead fish near her dock but was a one-off because no one else has seen dead fish recently.

Public Comment – None

Jenell Janes made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Maneesha Joshi. Motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, January 10, 2023.