Rogers Lake Authority

Regular Monthly Meeting

March 12,2025 7:30pm
Rogers Lake West Shores Club House
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Disclaimer: Please note these minutes are considered draft until accepted at the next meeting.

1. Call to Order – Mark Hastings called the meeting to order at 7:29pm.

2. Attendance – Mark Hastings, Dick Smith, Candace Fuchs, Jenell Smith, Toni Phillips, Joel Hawkins and 2 members of the public.

3. Approval of Minutes – Jenell Smith made a MOTION to approve the February meeting minutes as submitted. Dick Smith SECONDED. Discussion: None. VOTED: ALL OPPOSED: None. APPROVED. Motion Passed.

4. Old Business
    a. Review expenditures for February 2025 – only expenses were clerical fee and herbicide permit. Also spent capital funds on hydrology study from funds approved last year.
    b. Status of Notice of Violation – DEEP is getting back to us. New regulations seem to monitor how much water is being diverted which we pretty much do already. Our stream is a Class 1 stream, so it is free flowing and main focus is to protect ecological health. Question around if we get a perpetual permit will we have to do more to modify and enhance in 2028 with new regulations? We are dealing with the enforcement department of DEEP.
    c. Invasive plant workshop – Will be held June 11th - 2 people will be coming to our meeting from Office of Aquatic Invasive Species and will cover 4 different topics related to invasive species. Workshop will be advertised around town, in newsletters, etc.
    d. Development of Rapid Response Plan for Invasive Species – Mark will host a sub-committee on this topic to get something in place, so we are prepared. Date to come. Will be Mark and Joel and one additional RLA member.

5. New Business
    i. Lake events: LOL High School Rowing Regattas 2 pm to 6 pm on 4/9, 4/19. 4/23, 4/30 – these have all been approved.
        - Rowing activities will be Mon/Wed/Fri supervised so patrol boat will stick to Tues/Thurs/Fri evenings along with Saturday and Sunday.
        - Junior Learn to Row program will start in June in the morning and will be supervised. They also have a Fall program September – October that is in the afternoon that is also supervised.
    ii. Patrol Boat staffing – Hiring one more patrol boat employee. Will need to know if changing days of patrol boat ASAP so can let the two people who are already hired know the schedule. Mark will screen candidates and Jenell will do the next interview.

6. Public Comment – Morgan – wants to go to college for science so is hoping to volunteer at the lake with anything needed. Morgan provided his email to Mark so Mark can put him in touch with a contact to help him secure

volunteer opportunities (potentially with Yale when they do studies at the lake).

Does Parks & Rec know what RLA is doing when it comes to addling eggs? Mark has emailed them multiple times and has never received a response. Question of what kind of impact does this have and would it be worse if RLA didn't do this? Yes – this helps a lot and it would be horrible if RLA didn't do this.

Adjourn - Jenell Smith made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:34pm. SECOND by Toni Phillips. Discussion: None. VOTED: ALL OPPOSED: None. APPROVED. Motion Passed.

Next Scheduled Meeting Wednesday, April 9, 2025