Rogers Lake Authority

Regular Meeting

June 10,2026 7:30pm
Hybrid Meeting

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 7:28pm.

   Attendance - Mark Hastings, Toni Phillips, Joel Hawkins, Jenell Smith Janes, Candace Fuchs, and Dick Smith.

2. Approval of Minutes

   a. Meeting May 13, 2026 – Toni Phillips made a MOTION to approve the May 13th meeting minutes as written. SECOND by Jenell Smith Janes.
   Discussion: None. VOTED: ALL. OPPOSED: NONE. ABSTAINING: NONE. **APPROVED.**

3. Old Business
   a. Review expenditures for May 2026 - Only expenses were cell phone and clerical costs.

   b. Patrol Boat Update – Operating well out of Haines Park. Officially covered for all shifts.

   c. Rapid Response Plan for Invasive Species – Discussion around what will make the most sense. Joel will continue working on finalizing the plan utilizing the document that Jenell sent which is the latest version.

   d. Status of Boat Launch Monitor – Mark & Joel went to Twin Lakes to observe their launch and monitoring program. Had great conversation and got good ideas and we (RLA) have been able to help them also. Twin Lakes checks boats going out as well as going in. Mark has interviewed 3 people for the monitor position. Has one viable candidate that Mark recommends we move forward with. She would have to attend the Invasive Plant seminar on the 16th so we could start her by 6/21.

   e. Water Quality and eDNA Testing – Morgan and Joel are getting supplies together and getting ready to begin testing. Joel's plan is to do it the 1st time with Morgan and then let Morgan own it going forward.

5. New Business
   a. Lake Events:
      i. Fishing tournaments:

1. **Date**	**Start**	**Finish**	**Group**
06-21-2026	07:00	15:00	KENT COUNTY BASS ANGLERS
06-26-2026	19:00	05:00	Southeast Bass
06-28-2026	06:00	13:00	Pachaug Area Bassmasters
07-11-2026	06:00	13:00	Quinebaug Valley Bass Anglers

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07-11-2026	16:00	00:00	Renegade Bass
07-12-2026	07:00	15:00	Seawolf Bassmasters
07-21-2026	07:00	13:00	Size Matters Invitational
08-16-2026	06:00	14:00	2026 Butterball Baits Team Trai

b. Lake Signage Maintenance – 2 signs are down currently so we will need a few people and a boat to get them put up. There is also a buoy near the dam that needs attention.

c. Reporting Lost Vessels – When people report finding missing vessels RLA will encourage them to post on social media, etc to find the owner. If a boat represents a nautical hazard RLA will take care of it.

d. Invasive Plant Survey/Treatment – will be done just after the 4th of July and the herbicide treatment will be done about a week after. We did not apply herbicides last year so it will likely cost more this year as the application will be greater. Mark will request to carry over some of the budget to help cover this.

Candace Fuchs makes a MOTION to authorize the expenditure for herbicide not to exceed $12000. SECOND by Jenell Smith Janes. Discussion: None. VOTED: ALL. OPPOSED: NONE. ABSTAINING: NONE. **APPROVED.**

e. Other New Business

6. Public Comment – N/A

7. Adjourn – Jenell Smith Janes made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 8:30pm. SECOND by Candace Fuchs. Discussion: None. VOTED: ALL; OPPOSED: None; **APPROVED.**

Next Scheduled Meeting Wednesday, July 8, 2026