

# Lake Zoar Authority

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## Member Towns

Monroe-Newtown-Oxford-Southbury

The regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority was held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Oxford Town Hall.

### Commissioners Present:

Jerry Kozera, Vice Chairman  
Frank Cavallo  
Scott Chin  
John Downs  
Bill May, Treasurer  
Barbara McWilliams  
Mark Saksa  
Dick Speer

### Absent:

Gary Fillion  
Herbert Garber  
Lesley Pires

Jerry Kozera, Vice Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:06pm.

### **Secretary's Report:**

A motion to accept the minutes as read from the March 1, 2022 minutes was made by Dick Speer, seconded by Bill May; the motion was passed unanimously.

### **Public Comments:**

None.

### **Correspondence and News Clippings:**

Received:

- Letter from Lakeside Marina LLC, conveying dock fees for the boats and storage fees for the trailers.
- Permit application from Joel Zeisler requesting dates for use of the lake to host events for an Adaptive Water Skiing Clinic for skiers with disabilities.

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Bill May, Treasurer, presented account balances, with cash on hand equaling \$118,798.34. There no outstanding invoices. Regarding the afore mentioned correspondence received from Lakeside Marina, Bill noted that a deposit was sent in March. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented was made by Commissioner Dick Speer and seconded by Vice Chairman Jerry Kozera. The motion was passed unanimously.

### **Marine Patrol Report:**

Dan Semosky said that he is working on the upcoming boating season patrols, hoping to get a more balanced participation from all four towns this year.

**Publicity/ Public Awareness:**

None.

**Water Quality / Grants Report:**

Chairman Gary Fillion purchased a replacement buoy for the one that was determined to be missing last season. The cost was \$210.00 on invoice from Walsh Marine Products. Bill May to use LZA funds to reimburse Chairman Fillion.

**Boats and Motors Report:**

Commissioner Dick Speer and Dan Semosky presented an estimated quote from Lakeside Marina LLC to repair the keels on both boats. The amount of \$913.40 includes materials, supplies, and labor to perform the repairs

**Grants:**

Commissioner Barbara McWilliams reported that she received approval on the grant that she submitted for the PFD Life Vests. The Sea-Tow Foundation awarded The LZA 42 life vests. A discussion followed to “stencil” the vests with “LZA” before distributing to the public for temporary use to be able to identify and retrieve back into LZA possession. Barbara reported that the two individuals who volunteered their services to assist her in the grant writing process did not work out.

**Unfinished Business:**

General discussion was held for removing old lettering, cleaning boats/prepping for upcoming season, and installing new graphics and lettering before boats are launched. Vice Chairman Kozera is obtaining graphics/lettering quotes from 2 vendors and Mark Saksa is securing a quote for cleaning/detailing the two boats.

**New Business**

A motion to deny Joel Zeisler’s permit request based on too many weekend dates (6) and complete blockage of a considerable amount of the public waterway was made by Commissioner Dick Speer and seconded by Commissioner Barbara McWilliams. After a lengthy discussion, the motion was approved to deny and decided to have the Secretary write a letter informing Mr. Zeisler, “CC:” the four town’s Selectmen, and Chairman Fillion of the Commission’s decision and invite him to attend the May meeting in Southbury if Mr. Zeisler wanted further explanation from the Commission or to discuss the Commission’s decision.

**Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Treasurer Bill May and seconded by Commissioner Mark Saksa. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
John Downs  
Commissioner/Acting Secretary for April meeting

The minutes are not considered official until approved at the next regular meeting of the Lake Zoar Authority to be held on Tuesday, May 3, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Southbury Town Hall.