

CUBA LAKE DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Pole Barn, 5962 West Shore Road, Cuba, NY 14727
REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 13, 2020 – 7:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Cuba Lake District Board of Commissioners, held at the District Pole Barn, was opened at 7:02 PM by Chairman Morris. Due to Covid-19, all attendees wore face masks and practiced social distancing.

PRESENT: Jay Morris, Chairman
Jamie Pierotti, Vice Chair
Jeff Bradley, Commissioner
Dana Perrigo, Commissioner

Andrew Lindquist, Treasurer
James Sherrard, Secretary
Scott Barrey, Lake Manager

EXCUSED: Byron Long, Commissioner

GUESTS: *Each guest will be allowed 3 minutes to speak at the beginning of the meeting. If discussion results, it will be a maximum of 15 minutes per discussion. Any further comments will be made at the end of the meeting. Thank you.*

Mary Lindquist (CLCOA): No business to address.

Mary Raymond (#238): Reported that there are three long noisy boats on the Lake. Following some discussion, Lake Manager Barrey stated that he will check with the State Troopers to see if they have encountered the owners of the boats, and if needed will contact the Sheriff's Dept. Chairman Morris thanked Mary for addressing this issue.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Review of minutes of July 9, 2020. Chairman Morris asked for any comments, corrections or recommendations. None noted. Comr. Perrigo moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to accept the minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

TREASURER'S DISTRICT FUNDS REPORT:

Cuba Lake Cash Account Balances – Treasurer Lindquist circulated reports and presented account balances for July 2020.

Cuba Lake District List of Claims – Treasurer Lindquist presented and circulated the list of claims for July 2020, totaling \$10,301.53.

Comr. Bradley moved, seconded by Comr. Perrigo, to approve Cuba Lake District Cash Account Balances and Cuba Lake District List of Claims for July 2020. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

TREASURER'S MANAGEMENT FUNDS REPORT:

Cuba Lake District Management Fund Cash Balances – Treasurer Lindquist circulated reports and presented account balances for July 2020.

Cuba Lake District Management Fund Checks Written – Treasurer Lindquist presented and circulated the checks written detail for July 2020, totaling \$14,009.95.

Comr. Bradley moved, seconded by Vice Chair Pierotti, to approve Cuba Lake District Management Fund Cash Balances and Cuba Lake District Management Fund Checks Written for July 2020. MOTION CARRIED unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Mike Kunz provided correspondence between himself and National Fuel Gas regarding the planned gas line installation on the South and West Shores. National Fuel will notify homeowners by mail when the main line construction is scheduled. Some discussion followed. Chairman Morris thanked Mr. Kunz for his persistence in this matter.
2. E-mail from Jane Sader #270 regarding fishing boat distance from docks. Lake Manager Barrey reported that he replied to this inquiry via e-mail stating that there is no restricted distance for fishing boats near docks because the water is public access. However, fishers are responsible for any property damage done by fishing lures on boats, etc. There have also been issues with people being hurt by hooks stuck on docks. Comr. Bradley suggested some signage at the boat launch reminding boaters to be respectful of property owners. Lake Manager Barrey will check with the DEC on what signs are available for posting.
3. Chairman Morris read the Building and Lot Improvement Report submitted by Comrs. Long and Bradley. It is their recommendation to issue the dock permit submitted by Garrett Mayer #347. Following discussion on the determination of the property line, it was decided to table the permit request pending additional information. Chairman Morris will consult Jack Hart on this matter.

LOT TRANSFERS: None.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Bill Update – NY State Senate Bill S8812. Requested changes to amend Chapter 264 of the Laws of 1981 have now become a bill introduced by Senator Borrello. Chairman Morris provided an overview of the bill process. <https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/bills/2019/s8812>

LAKE MANAGER'S REPORT – AUGUST 2020:

- Projects
 - Working on plan to clean up Taylor Field
 - Field has been mowed
 - Have requested reimbursement from ACSWD for balance of Abbott's Creek Project
 - All remaining funds from Rawson Project will be applied to Harvester purchase
 - Continuing CSLAP water testing
- Dam Safety
 - Back side of dam has been mowed
 - Need to eliminate woodchucks
- Pole Barn
 - Received load of wood for Winter
- Harvester Maintenance
 - New harvester working well
 - Lead from Sparta Lake in NJ will follow up
 - Looking in to Auctions International to sell old machine
- Concerns for Discussion
 - Runoff between 223 and 224
 - Dock permit for 347
 - Break wall damage at 344 / 345

- Line of sight problem between 354 and 355
- Permits
 - 20.46.341 Bradley Out building
 - 20.47.226A Marra Out building

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. **Building and Lot Improvements/Lake Maintenance** – Committee members: Jeff Bradley and Byron Long with Lake Manager and CLD Building Inspector. The submitted report was previously discussed.
2. **Budget and Finance** – Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Andrew Lindquist.
Comr. Perrigo moved, seconded by Vice Chair Pierotti, to approve the Cuba Lake District Budget for 2021.
MOTION CARRIED unanimously.
3. **Water Quality** – Committee members: Dana Perrigo and Jeff Bradley.
Comr. Bradley stated that the water is clean and clear.
4. **State Relations** – Committee members: Jay Morris and Jamie Pierotti. Items previously discussed.
5. **Public Relations and Cuba Lake Newsletter** – Committee members: Jay Morris and Byron Long.
Mary Lindquist stated that the next CLCOA newsletter will be in September. It will include information on NYS Bill 8812.
6. **Sediment Removal** – Committee members: Jamie Pierotti, Dana Perrigo, with Lake Manager Scott Torrey, Executive Director of Allegany County Soil and Water Conservation District communicated that he or technician Kyle Redman will work with the Committee. Former director Fred Sinclair is also willing to assist. Vice Chair Pierotti presented a photo of the Lake at low water level showing where channels had been dug out. Discussion followed on the scope of the sediment removal project and the entities that will need to be involved. Lake Manager Barrey will determine the number of cubic yards for removal.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. HABs – Comr. Long forwarded an e-mail produced by Seneca Lake regarding Hazardous Algal Blooms. Discussion followed on how mussels may be a contributing factor to HABs in other lakes. Cuba Lake has zero blooms.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE LAKE:

1. Sarah Bradley will run for Comr. Jeff Bradley's seat in the upcoming annual election.

ADJOURNMENT:

Comr. Perrigo moved, seconded by Comr. Bradley, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 9:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

James Sherrard, Secretary

Next Meeting September 10, 2020