

CUBA LAKE DISTRICT
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The regular monthly meeting of the Cuba Lake District Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, September 12, 2002 at the Cuba Library, 39 E. Main Street, Cuba, New York

Chairperson Walt Lang called the regular meeting to order at 7:38 p.m.. and asked the secretary to call the roll:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Walt Lang

Lynn Sweet - Absent

Wayne Schlifke - 7:35

Jeff Bradley

Erick Laine - Absent

ALSO PRESENT:

Treasurer Andrew Lindquist

Secretary Pam Konieczka

Attorney John M. Hart, Jr.

GUESTS:

Mr./Mrs. Mostacato Mr./Mrs. Utter

Ron Reichman Dana Harvey

Nick Abraham Fran Quinn

Bill Forness

-Barb Utter had the following comments and questions:

-She commented that she likes being able to view the minutes from the Cuba Lake District meetings on the web site.

-It would be more helpful in attending the meetings if they were to start at 7:30 and asked if they have always started at 7:00. Commissioner Lang commented that they have always began at 7:00.

-She asked if the by-laws stated when the annual election is held. She had some calls from people that were confused of the date. Attorney Hart suggested Mrs. Utter call him at his office and he would look into it.

-Mrs. Utter received a call from a Mrs. Garling regarding a letter she received from the Attorney General. Mrs. Utter asked Attorney Hart if he was aware of any such letter. He commented that he was not.

-Mrs. Utter had concern of the Lake Manager position. Attorney Hart stressed that the position has a very detailed job description and that it would be a part-time position.

OATH OF OFFICE:

To Pam Konieczka as Secretary as administered by John M. Hart, Jr.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON Adjourned until the October 10, 2002 meeting AND
DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON:

DESIGNATION OF COMMITTEES: Adjourned until the October 10, 2002 meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion was made by Commissioner Schlifke to accept the minutes of the August 8, 2002 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Bradley. All in favor 3 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Following review of reports circulated by Treasurer, Commissioner Bradley moved to accept the Treasurer's reports for filing, seconded by Commissioner Schlifke. All in favor 3 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Following presentation of the List of Claims, Commissioner Bradley moved to pay the accounts as listed, seconded by Commissioner Lang. All in favor 3 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

AMOUNT: \$9,407.81

CORRESPONDENCE: See attached Index of Correspondence.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. BUILDING & LOT IMPROVEMENTS - Walt Lang, Jeff Bradley

1. Collins - Lot #81 - approval received from OGS.

2. Grove - Lot #32 - approval received from OGS.

3. Van Sutphen - Lot #41 - request to construct a new break wall. District gave approval as long as approval is granted by both the DEC and OGS.

4. Dean - Lot #311 - request to construct a one-car garage. District gave approval.

Pending approval from OGS.

5. Cuba Lake Yacht Club - request to replace existing break wall. District gave approval as long as approval is granted by both the DEC and OGS.

6. Willmarth - Lot #25 - request to add fencing and two gates to property. District gave approval. Pending approval from OGS.

7. Bradley - Lot #341 - request to place a gazebo on the existing deck. District gave approval. Pending approval from OGS.

8. Simons - Lot #355 - request to construct a new garage. District gave approval. Pending approval from OGS.

2. FINANCE - Lynn Sweet, Jeff Bradley, Andy Lindquist, ex officio

Attorney John M. Hart, Jr. stated that the Cuba Lake District received a check for \$94,000.00 from the State. An account named the "Cuba Lake District Management Fund" has been opened at Community Bank, N. A. Attorney Hart also stated that this is just a partial payment and doesn't include the reimbursement from the Taylor Farm purchase, which is approximately \$54,000.00 more that the District will receive.

3. PARK MAINTENANCE - Walt Lang, Wayne Schlifke

Discussion ensued regarding when to put the logs in. Ron Reichman representing the Cottage Owners Association stated that a motion was made at their last meeting to have the logs go in on the Monday after Thanksgiving.

Commissioner Lang brought up the issue that there are approximately 5 - 6 owners that need to get break wall work done and that he suggests the lake level be brought down 4 feet and then later, a final draw down done.

Commissioner Bradley feels a compromise is needed. He stated that the logs are taken out in early Spring to assure there will be a proper water level for recreational purposes and that the water level in the Fall needs to be let down earlier so that break wall work can be done.

Discussion ensued regarding the weed cutter. Both Commissioner Schlifke and guest, Mrs. Mostacato commented on what a great job Dana did with the weed cutting issue. Commissioner Lang asked when the weed cutter would be removed. Dana Harvey suggested pulling the harvester out of the water on October 1st and storing it until June 1st. Mr. Harvey will store the weed cutter at his facility. Mr. Harvey also commented on their needs to be sediment removal done where he unloads the harvester. He keeps getting pushed back farther and farther into the Lake. Commissioner Bradley commented, that maybe once the DEC starts looking at constructing the boat launch area that they may look at cleaning up the area that Dana uses.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bradley to drop the Lake by 4 feet on the third Monday of October, (October 21, 2002) and a final draw down of the Lake on the third Monday in November, (November 18, 2002). Seconded by Commissioner Schlifke. All in favor 3 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Commissioner Lang also asked the Secretary to notify the Patriot, Olean Times Herald, Cuba Lake Marina, Lime Lake Marina, the Cuba Lake web site and to send a notice to each cottage owner.

4. WATER QUALITY - Erick Laine, Lynn Sweet

Nothing to report.

5. STATE RELATIONS COMMITTEE - Erick Laine, Lynn Sweet

A. Seneca Nation of Indians Litigation Update Attorney John M. Hart, Jr. stated that a letter had been sent to the 15 of 19 cottage owners regarding legal fees and that the Governor has yet to answer the inquiry. Attorney Hart was told by Dan Spitzer that the District may want to contact Pat McGee to help with this matter. The Commissioners asked Attorney Hart to get in contact with Mrs. McGee and he agreed to do so.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Lake Manager

-Many resumes have been received for the position and are being looked at.

-The District Secretary sent a letter to each person who applied for the position

2. Situation between Town and County Taxes - settlement

-Attorney John M. Hart, Jr. received a letter from Dan Spitzer to the Commissioners regarding the tax settlement. Attorney Hart recommended that a copy be sent to each cottage owner. The District Secretary will see that this is done.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Discussion of better communication with cottage owners.

-Commissioner Schlifke feels more communication needs to be done between the District and the cottage owners. He feels the web site isn't enough.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Bradley, seconded by Commissioner Schlifke. All in favor 3 yes, 0 no. MOTION CARRIED.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.