

MOUNTAIN LAKES DISTRICT
COMMISSIONERS MEETING
OCTOBER 14, 2009
DISTRICT OFFICE 6:00 PM

Call to Order: Commissioner Christopher Demers called the meeting to order at 6:06 P M.

Roll Call: Rosalie Farr, Commissioner; Beverly Jacobs, Commissioner; Christopher Demers, Commissioner.

Residents in Attendance: Fred Harris, Annemarie Godston, Joel Godston, Charles Edson, Edward Rajsteter, Pauline Bonanno, Beverly Hasbrouck, Don Hasbrouck, Lisa McCall, and Todd Chasse.

Guest: none

Minutes of Previous Meeting (09/14/09) Donald Hasbrouck made a motion to accept the minutes as written with the following corrections: page 3, a. line 4 delete : before Patricia; page 4 Fire Hydrants, lines 3 & 4 Glen should be Glenn; page 6 b. Summer Report line 5 should read We had many events **on** the beach this year.

Charles Edson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

1. District

a. District Report: Submitted by Renee Cota

Our overall budget is in great shape this year. We are beginning the process for the 2010 budget. Now is the time for committees to begin putting their information together to submit to the budget committee.

In the Water Department we have 25% of the year left and 36% of the budget. Payments for the 2009-2010 water bills have slowed so we still have 15,088 to collect. In part, because we have several homes in the process of being foreclosed on but we have placed liens on those properties. We are confident when the process is concluded that we will receive payment. As with last month, we continue to use little water from Woodsville Water & Light and the savings is a great boost to the budget.

b. Financials

Commissioner Christopher Demers explained the deficient amounts shown on page 12 lines 5062-2 and 508 2-2. The deficient amounts are due to a fine against the District of Mountain Lakes for putting sand on the beach without obtaining the proper

permits. Unless there is a complete washout of the beach, which a permit will also be needed, the District cannot apply for a permit for the next 6 (six) years.

c. Maintenance Report: Submitted by Don Drew

Fall has found us again and we are still focused on being ready for the winter months that are fast approaching. The pool and other outdoor items will be winterized and or put away within two weeks. The heating systems are being scheduled for the annual checkup and cleaning if necessary. The window work over at the Lodge is a slow ongoing project but we are making progress and they will be very weather tight and energy efficient when we are done. We are going to start the mowing around the Lodge next week.

With the newly developed hiking / cross country ski trail and the lodge improvements, we should have a very nice District refuge for everyone to enjoy during all of the season.

2. Planning Board Update:

a. Zoning Officer Report:

Zoning Permit Applications – New – None

Zoning Officer Stan Borkowski reported to the Planning Board and provide members with a detailed list of zoning permits and their progress to date.

1. Barrington – garage – T&C Way – no new work to date
2. Lampert – house – 93 Vernon Drive – septic still not complete
3. Martin – house – Hilltop View – project complete –
4. Steiger-Brown – house Rogers Road – no change – property for sale as is
5. Dufficy – house – Swiftwater Circle – house complete – no water yet
6. Batchelder – house – T&C Way – nearing completion – water service installed
7. Long – house – T&C Way – nearing completion – water service installed
8. Harris – porch addition – Adams - no work to date
9. Bayer – shed – French Pond Road – no work to date
10. Borkowski – garage – Wildcat - site work complete
11. Marro – addition – Gateway Drive – site checked – no work to date
12. Brady – garden shed & wood shed – Kearsarge Drive – permit just issued
13. White – house – Hilltop View and Haverhill Lane – permit on hold
14. Civit – handicap ramp – French Pond Road – project complete

The Planning Board will request that the District Office send letters to permit holders that are about to be out of date, that they either request an extension or they will need to apply for a permit again as well as another fee.

- b. Christopher Demers introduced to the community Todd Chasse who will be a regular member of the Planning Board – term ending March 2010.

3. Water Committee Update:

- a. **Water Usage:**
Artesian Well 3,837 gallons
Gravel Well 20,913 gallons
WW&L 567 gallons
September 2009 total 24,500 gallons

- b. **Water Report:**

The well draw down test is done and we are waiting for the results from Carr Well and Pump. The waterline repair on Bear Road is scheduled to start on October 13th and should be finished on the 16th. We only expect a short water interruption on the first day to some residents that are close to the work zone. The south end of Bear Road will be closed to all traffic for the duration of the work. The water usage is still at an average of 20,000 to 25,000 gpd and we have no major problems to report

Make arrangements with the District Water Dept. if you would like to schedule a free seasonal water shut off (at the curb stop). 603 787-6180 or E-mail to mtnlakeswater@yahoo.com

Water Committee Chairman Edward Rajsteter reported that meeting was canceled. The Bear Road Project is proceeding on schedule and should finish tomorrow. The number of breaks totaled seven rather the four that we were aware of.

4. Recreation Update:

- a. **Recreation Report:**

Commissioner Beverly Jacobs reported that the Oktoberfest was a fun day for all. The haunted gingerbread house was new this year, apple picking at Windy Ridge, face painting and pumpkin carving are always a success. The pot luck supper was a good time for all.

- b. **Wine and Cheese Tasting – Get Together –**

The event will be from 6-8:00 P M at the Lodge. the flyer has been posted on the events page of the Mountain Lakes website. It will be a great event for adults to attend and have fun! In addition, learn who your neighbors are! This will be a series of events. Future dates will be announced.

c. Defibrillator

Commissioner Rosalie Farr announced that the District had received good news! Bruce Starer has a Defibrillator he would like to donate to Mountain Lakes. This is being donated on behalf of the Norembega Trail Riders (A charity trail ride that passes through the Mountain Lakes District that I help with. Aka the Turkey Run)

Steve Trainor with Zoll Medical would like to present the Defibrillator on behalf of the Ride and training will be provided on the day of the donation.

5. Comments of the Public:

a. Day of the Commissioners Meeting – Joel and Annemarie Godston said on behalf of the vacation home residents, their dislike of the change from Saturday to Monday evening and they are of the opinion that their input is not recognized. Christopher Demers, Rosalie Farr, and Beverly Jacobs said that this has been brought up at every meeting since the change. The Commissioners advise those residents that if they E-mail their concerns to the District Office, the Commissioners will address them.

b. Clear-Cutting - Lisa McCall asked if there was something that could be done regarding a lot that has been clear-cut next to her property. The only recourse at present would be to contact the New Hampshire Forester. At the present time the District does not have a specific ordinance to cover this issue.

c. Snowmobiles: Pauline Bonanno asked if the new signs posted at the trail heads at the Lodge forbidding ATV's also referred to snowmobiles. Commissioner Christopher Demers said that as far as he knew, when a snowmobile trail is laid out and marked by the local snowmobile club, it is a legal trail. The Commissioners will check into this as it is a winter sport that many of our residents enjoy.

6. Adjourn Meeting: Donald Hasbrouck made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Beverly Jacobs and carried unanimously. Commissioner Christopher Demers adjourned the meeting at 7:14 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cynthia Harris