

# Connecticut Lakes Headwaters Citizens Committee

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## **Connecticut Lakes Headwaters Citizens Committee and Water Resources Council Agenda April 23, 2011 at 10:00 AM**

In attendance: Bing Judd, Bev Lord, Jen Landry, Richard Moquin, Rich Carbonetti, Ken Hastings, Paul Doscher, Steve Weber,

Others present: Chris Gamache, Sandy Young, John Steward, Paul Doscher, Maggie Machinist, Michael Downey, Edith and Dan Tucker, Alan Edestien, Steve Ellis, Rick Dube, Ronald Hughes, Jessica Bertrand, Absent, Michael Pearson,

Welcome and Introductions: Chairman Bing Judd called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. welcoming all and asked for introductions. The Committee introduced themselves.

Approval of the June 10, 2010 minutes: Jim Gallagher motioned to accept the minutes, Steve Weber seconded the motion.

Dam Legislation: HB 35 The Bill for dams is moving through legislature. It should pass by June. Boundary Pond Dam is in the capitol budget for DES. Senate hearing next week and would be done as soon as possible if funds are approved (2012).

Legislative update: HB 45 adds a representative from the Leaseholders to the Citizens Committee. Ron Hughes is a tentative name but thinks lessees meeting in October is where a designee should be chosen to be on the CLHCC

Chris Gamache noted SB 107 is to establish a committee to study the effectiveness of criteria for establishing ATV and trail bike trails on state lands. He gave a club status and update on the proposal from the Great North Woods Riders ATV Club.

Bing Judd commented that Pittsburg needs something more and wants ATV's. He noted a letter from the North Country Chamber of Commerce for ATV use.

Can ATV's be managed differently in different parts of the state?

Need to list ATV changes on the Plan for adoption?

It would be nice to have a legislative committee meeting in Pittsburg. Ken Hastings made the motion to ask the legislation to have a meeting in Pittsburg, Dick Moquin seconded the motion.

Plan updates:

3 point Deer restriction

Steve Weber: Recreation Plan probably needs to change it's ...

Maggie Machinist: Stewardship Plan might need to be changed also to allow ...



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Edith Tucker: Does the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation have broader ability to manage endowment funds?

It would take legislative action to move the funds. It might be worth talking to the Fiscal Committee.

Bing asked if there is a timeframe for the Boundary Pond Dam. 2012 is a priority. Budget time frame Engineering and permits are not done yet.

Steve Ellis – New Pittsfield Select board member mentioned local businesses want ATV's getting to businesses. The Select board would like this now. A lot more town roads open this spring. There are no issues on beach or back water roads so far.

Dick Moquin opposes this and would like to know what the limits will be. There still needs to be a place for quiet.

Paul Doscher mentioned connection date might be a reasonable compromise. Town road speed limits work well, LE resources might be an issue that needs input on. LE is not ready to say no to things. Pittsburg gets OHRV grants from Fish & Game and thinks they can deal with it.

DES LF impairment question: No plans to expand leases. This will be an agenda item in the future. Timber cuts in Carr Ridge might cause issues.

FEDL license at dam update:

Town in VT has bid in to do hydro power at dam.

State lease to them with payments back to DES

Now taxable as private turbine so Pittsburg would get some dollars

Turbine would be 1.5 million and could be done without major construction or dam impacts.

A planning permit is good for a couple of years (2012) They have to file an application

Snowmobile reciprocity update.

Bev Lord motioned to adjourn, Paul Doscher seconded the motion

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 A.M.

Next meeting October 29, 2011

*Respectfully submitted, Jane Carey, Clerk*

