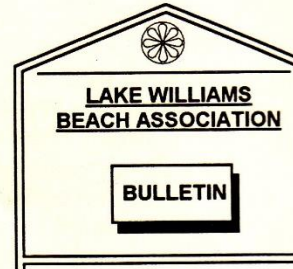


1993-94

Annual Meeting was held on June 6, 1993

LWBA Annual Meeting

Sunday June 6, 1993 - 1:30PM
at The ACRE



AGENDA: Secretary's Report
Tax Collector's Report
Treasurer's Report
Auditor's Report
Old Business
Adopt 1993/94 Budget
Set LWBA Fees for 1993/94
Nomination of Officers
Swearing in of Officers
Other New Business
Adjournment

This has been a banner year for Lake Williams! The resolution of the problem with the dam was the high point. The lake sure is beautiful with water in it. Just think, by this time next year it should be full and permanent!!

Other items are also worthy of note. The 1st beach is starting to take on a park-like atmosphere, no small thanks to Harlan Schulze. The Acre pavilion is in the best shape it's been in years. Last Saturday saw a dozen people turn out to repair the roof and clear the grounds. This professional looking job took only 4 hours to complete and the cost was covered by money raised through fund raising the previous year. Many thanks are due to everyone that pitched in and Audrey Koss who initiated the fund raising and work crew.

As a reminder to those who also are sprucing up their own properties, keep in mind that the Lebanon Town Landfill will become a "Transfer Station" on October 1st. Also, the lake will be drained again after Labor Day in September and is scheduled to be refilled in February 1994. We may never see the lake dry again, so if any waterfront work must be done, this Fall is the time.

When the lake future was in doubt, it was easy to let certain matters slide. Now that the future of

Lake Williams is assured, other things are becoming important. Items that we may want to address include:

- Restoration of all 3 beaches.
- Forming of a Lake-wide committee to address the problems and concerns of the whole lake (such as weed control and stocking the lake with Bass in '94)
- Bringing the LWBA Charter & Bylaws up to date.
- Planning of a few more social functions other than the Annual Picnic.
- The possibility of enhancing the Acre pavilion with utilities, etc. ...

After examining our last budget and making alterations where possible, the Finance Committee feels that we can make some changes without increasing the LWBA taxes beyond the \$45 we paid last year. (Maybe our Local, State, and Federal Governments would like some budget suggestions.)

Upon reviewing the compensation of specific offices, the Board of Directors is proposing some changes. These items will, of course, require your approval at the Annual Meeting on June 6th. They'll be included in the proposed budget for 93/94. The list below is the suggested annual fee structure:

- Secretary's Fee from \$25 to \$50.
- Treasurer's Fee from \$25 to \$50.
- Tax Collector's Fee from \$200 to \$500.
- Tax Collection Expenses from \$50 to \$150.
- Association Security Officer's Expense to \$100.

These positions require both commitment and competence. The fee schedule has not been increased for years. Remember, even with these increases, the proposed LWBA tax remains the same as last year.

On a more social note, the Annual LWBA Picnic is scheduled for July 10th. Lee and Sandy Rider have graciously offered the use of the Lake Williams Campground Pavilion again. As in the past, we would like to invite all the lake residents, property owners, and campers. The picnic committee members are Audrey Koss, April Schulze, Betty Godeck, and Val Dinardi. Watch the bulletin boards and future mail for more details.

Nancy Viccaro has again volunteered to organize the Mile Long Tagsale provided there is sufficient

interest. The date will be selected at the meeting.

The management of the LWBA is accomplished primarily by volunteers. Getting the best out of our lake community requires that everyone participate. Now that the stability of the lake is assured, the focus of the LWBA can change. This year is a good time to get involved! Consider being a nominee for an officer or board member. Or perhaps being on a committee would better suit you. Looking forward to seeing you on June 6th.

Gilbert A. Koss

President, LWBA

Governmental District
Established 1953

TAX COLLECTOR
ANNUAL REPORT YEAR 1992 - 1993

1. This report covers the period of May 14 1992 to May 5 1993 of the Lake Williams Beach Association Tax Collector. The Tax rate of \$45.00 was approved at the annual meeting of June 7th 1992.

2. Collected from 99 owners	\$4,474.65		
9 late payment interest	38.51		\$4,513.16
Year 1991 taxes from 7 owners	315.00		
Interest	62.13		
Liens fee	96.00	473.13	
Year 1990 taxes from 2 owners	90.00		
Interest	39.83		
Liens fee	46.45	176.28	649.41
Total collected			\$5,162.57

3. The year 1992 there are 12 delinquents in payment for a total due as of the date of this report,
 520.35 taxes
 92.33 interest 612.68
Off these 12 delinquents 10 liens will be filed.

4. Outstanding for 1991 are 6 liens
 1990 are 2 liens
 1989 are 1 lien
 for a total of taxes 405.00
 interest 179.75
 liens 216.00 total 800.75

5. Warrants will be sworn out for 6 on demand payments, and of these, 3 will be served with foreclosers.

Philip J. Godeck Sr.
Philip J. Godeck Sr.
Tax Collector
L. W. B. A.

May 10 1993

Budget Report - Lake Williams Beach Association
June 6th, 1993

	Approved '92-'93	Actual (as of 5/10/93)	Proposed '93-94
Liability Insurance	3000.00	3075.00	3075.00
Lebanon Town Tax	500.00	525.72	550.00
Tax Notices	60.00	0	0
Secretary's Fee	25.00	25.00	50.00
Treasurer's Fee	25.00	25.00	50.00
Tax Collector's Fee	200.00	200.00	500.00 <i>500.00</i>
Auditor's Fee	25.00	25.00	25.00
Bonding Insurance	530.00	630.00	630.00
Tax Collector's Expense	50.00	20.00	150.00 <i>150.00</i>
Postage & Stationery	400.00	526.02	300.00
Board of Directors Expense	200.00	0	200.00
Annual Picnic	200.00	200.00	200.00
Legal Expenses	1000.00	174.00	200.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	250.00	82.11	200.00
Association Security	0	0	100.00 <i>250.00</i>
Beach Maintenance	2000.00	400.00	2000.00
Total	8465.00	5907.85	8230.00

LWBA Financial Report
Fiscal Year 1992 - 1993
(as of May 10th, 1993)

Cash on Hand as of 6-7-92	101,214.78
Tax Collection 1992-93	5162.57
Contributions	28.00
Savings Account Interest	228.94
Special Accounts Interest	287.69
Total	106,921.98
Expenditures (Reimbursement)	93,059.23
'92-'93 Expenses	5,907.85
Total Expenditures	98,967.08
Liability Insurance-Reserve	3,500.00
Cash on Hand (as of 5/10/93)	7,954.90
Cash on Hand less Reserve	4,454.90

Finance Committee Recommendation '93-94' Tax - \$45.00 per unit

284	6/17/92	Diana K Perkins Repay Contributions	\$783.78						
285	6/17/92	George J Monzeglio Repay Contributions	\$627.02						
286	6/18/92	John Owens Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
287	6/17/92	Roger K Morgan Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
288	6/17/92	Norman E Dupaul Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
289	6/17/92	Daniel D'Apice Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
290	6/17/92	Jack T Zappulla Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
291	6/17/92	Blanche R Belanger Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
292	6/17/92	June V Obrenski Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
293	6/17/92	Walter J Andrews Repay Contributions	\$1,254.04						
294	6/17/92	Gerald Loftus Repay Contributions	\$1,567.57						
295	6/17/92	Richard Majerski Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
296	6/17/92	Kostyk Naumec Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
297	6/17/92	Edward J Cichowitz Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
298	6/17/92	Helen T Manning Repay Contributions	\$1,045.04						
299	6/17/92	Manning Family Club Inc Repay Contributions	\$522.52						
300	6/17/92	Ida Iarusso Repay Contributions	\$1,567.56						
301	6/17/92	Mary E Woods Repay Contributions	\$1,045.04						
302	6/17/92	Zane Mercier Repay Contributions	\$1,045.04						
303	6/17/92	Frances R Burnes Repay Contributions	\$209.01						
304	6/17/92	Robert L Burnes Repay Contributions	\$418.01						
305	6/17/92	Marion Natale	\$522.52						

306	6/17/92	Patricia Bandzes Repay Assessments	\$162.86						
307	6/17/92	Allen Pollock Repay Assessments	\$82.25						
308	6/17/92	William Taylor Repay Assessments	\$77.91						
309	6/17/92	Francis Adamewicz Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
310	6/17/92	Mary Anderson Repay Assessments	\$325.67						
311	6/17/92	Harley Atkins Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
312	6/17/92	Harley Atkins Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59						
313	6/17/92	Joseph Badeau Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
314	6/17/92	Paul Baukus Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
315	6/17/92	Marion Berger Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
316	6/17/92	Terrence Borjesson Repay Assessments	\$155.82						
317	6/17/92	Larry Bossie Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59						
318	6/17/92	Sandra Bossie Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
319	6/17/92	Freya Braun Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
320	6/17/92	Freya Braun Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59						
321	6/17/92	Bernyce Brennan Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
322	6/17/92	George Brennan Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
323	6/17/92	Lisa Bronowicz Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
324	6/17/92	Diane Buda Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
325	6/17/92	Frances Burns Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
326	6/17/92	Sharon Case Repay Assessments	\$311.65						
327	6/17/92	Sharon Case	\$1,246.59						

328	6/17/92	Hope Cyr Repay Assessments	\$1,246.59	\$311.65	Repay Assessments	\$623.30
329	6/17/92	Alice Demisky Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	Marie Holman Repay Assessments	\$311.65
330	6/17/92	Edwin DesRosiers Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	James Monnes Repay Assessments	\$311.65
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332	6/17/92	Valerie Dinardi Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	Otto Koenig Repay Assessments	\$311.65
333	6/17/92	Valerie Dinardi Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$1,246.59	Otto Koenig Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59
334	6/17/92	Stanley Dombrowik Repay Assessments	\$1,246.59	\$311.65	Robert Korten/L.Gosselin Repay Assessments	\$311.65
335	6/17/92	Ann Dukett Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	Audrey Koss Repay Assessments	\$311.65
336	6/17/92	George Esok Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	Teresa Kroll Repay Assessments	\$311.65
337	6/17/92	George Esok Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$311.65	Milton Krom Repay Assessments	\$311.65
338	6/17/92	Helena Feery Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$1,558.24	Ronald LaForge Repay Assessments	\$311.65
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347	6/17/92	Robert Hathaway Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65	Lester & John Meyers Repay Assessments	\$311.65
348	6/17/92	Robert Hathaway Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$1,246.59	Nancy Meyers Repay Assessments	\$311.65
349	6/17/92	Betty Hirth	\$623.30	\$623.30	Doris Miller Repay Assessments	\$311.65
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372	6/17/92	Rose Miller Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65
373	6/17/92	Rose Miller Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$1,246.59
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376	6/17/92	Richard Morrison Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65
377	6/17/92	Guy Nelson Repay Assessments Repay Prepaid Assess	\$311.65 \$934.95 \$623.30	\$311.65
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390	6/17/92	April Schulze Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$1,246.59
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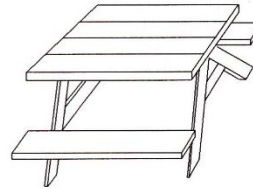
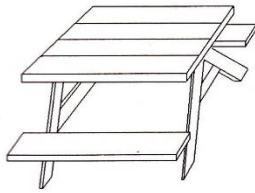
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413	6/17/92	Mary Woods Repay Assessments	\$311.65	\$311.65
414	6/17/92	Mary Woods Repay Prepaid Assess	\$1,246.59	\$1,246.59
415	6/17/92	David & April Schulze	\$5,132.93	\$5,132.93

8	Repay Loans			Repay Contributions	
416 6/17/92	NeLeon Builders Repay Loans	\$5,132.93	\$5,132.93	Barbara & Brian Kiernan Repay Contributions	\$52.25
417 6/17/92	Ray Lauffer Repay Contributions	\$20.90	\$20.90	George & Gretta Hanton Repay Contributions	\$15.67
418 6/17/92	Carl & Mary Barille Repay Contributions	\$10.45	\$10.45	Frances Shaknaitis Repay Contributions	\$26.12
419 6/17/92	Dave Seidl Repay Contributions	\$15.67	\$15.67	Melvin B. Johnson Repay Contributions	\$52.25
420 6/17/92	Connie & Bill Mehl Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Raymond & Doris Kanter Repay Contributions	\$104.50
421 6/17/92	Dick & Vivian Stewart Repay Contributions	\$10.45	\$10.45	Gilbert Koss Communications-Lake	\$55.76
422 6/17/92	C&E and Sandra Warren Repay Contributions	\$10.45	\$10.45	Goodwin, Loomis, Britton Bonding	\$270.00
423 6/17/92	Bill Sweeney Repay Contributions	\$62.70	\$62.70	Goodwin, Loomis, Britton Bonding	\$360.00
424 6/17/92	Javier Rios Repay Contributions	\$20.90	\$20.90	The Fowler Agency Insurance-Liability	\$1,500.00
425 6/17/92	George Dickey Repay Contributions	\$31.35	\$31.35	Dave Schulze Communications-Lake	\$84.51
426 6/17/92	Alan Cashdollars Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Town Clerk - Lebanon Licenses and Fees	\$10.00
427 6/17/92	Dick & Peg Bogan Repay Contributions	\$130.62	\$130.62	Tax/Lebanon State/Local Tax	\$525.72
428 6/17/92	Butch & Marie Bouchard Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Phil Godeck Tax Collector Expens	\$92.95
429 6/17/92	D. Syphers & T. Generis Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Eleanor & Michael Schulze Repay Assessments	\$273.75
430 6/17/92	Bernie Fielding Repay Contributions	\$104.50	\$104.50	Claire Repoli Repay Assessments	\$37.90
431 6/17/92	Stan & Mary Ptak Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Wayne Hanfield Repay Assessments	\$153.49
432 6/17/92	Grand Lake Spa Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Postmaster Licenses and Fees	\$11.25
433 6/17/92	Lake Williams Campground Repay Contributions	\$1,254.00	\$1,254.00	Audrey Koss Annual Picnic	\$200.00
435 6/17/92	Bert & Betty Pasovall Repay Contributions	\$26.12	\$26.12	Gil Koss Communications-Lake	\$153.11
436 6/17/92	Gordon & Janet Aston Repay Contributions	\$26.12	\$26.12	Gil Koss Misc. Deductions	\$54.95
437 6/17/92	Gloria & Mike McGillicuddy Repay Contributions	\$52.25	\$52.25	Harlan Schulze Beach Fund	\$400.00
439 6/17/92	Hattie & Leo Busque	\$52.25	\$52.25	April Schulze	\$12.80

10	Accountant Fees	\$12.50	
462 5/5/93	John Serbin Accountant Fees	\$12.50	\$12.50
463 5/5/93	Arthur Fowler Agency Insurance-Liability	\$1,575.00	\$1,575.00
464 5/5/93	LMCC & Bill McCarthy Repay Contributions	\$20.90	\$20.90
465 5/5/93	John Serbin Postage	\$5.80	\$5.80
466 5/5/93	Gil Koss Postage	\$39.73	\$39.73
467 5/5/93	Phil Godeck Tax Collector Expens	\$47.21	\$47.21
468 5/7/93	Phil Godeck Tax Collector Fee	\$200.00	\$200.00
469 5/7/93	Nancy Viccaro Secretary Fee	\$25.00	\$25.00
470 5/7/93	John Serbin Treasurer Fee	\$25.00	\$25.00

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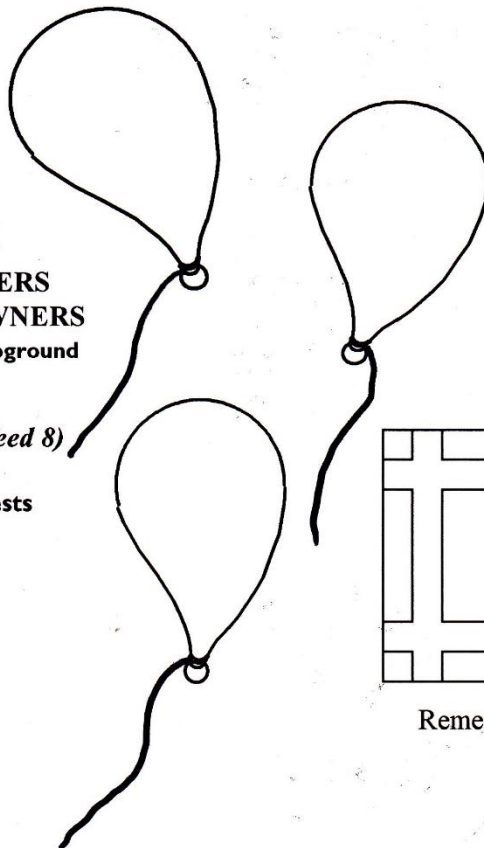
Lake Williams Campground - Rte 207

SATURDAY JULY 10TH, 1993 - 12 NOON TO ?

FREE to:
LWBA MEMBERS
WEST SIDE OWNERS
Lake Williams Campground
CAMPERS

(Bring a dish to feed 8)

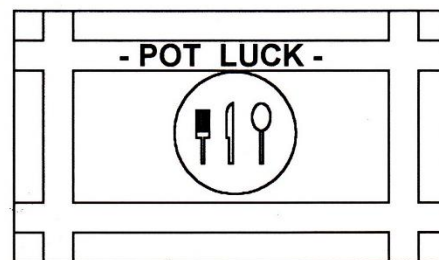
Additional Guests
\$2.00 each



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FOOD

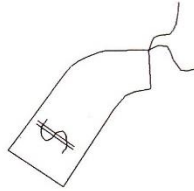
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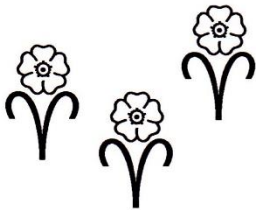
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The Mile-Long Tag Sale

Sale will be held on Saturday, June 26th from 9 AM to 4 PM. Nancy Vicarro is again in charge of this fund raising event.



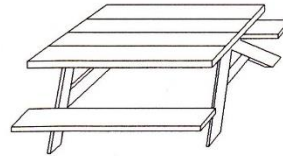
Those that would like to hold a tag sale on that day should give the \$5.00 fee to Nancy. Much of the fees are used to cover the cost of advertising. Last year the event raised \$70 towards the new roof on the pavilion! A "certificate of participation" will be given to you when you pay your fee. It should then be displayed at your tag sale. This annual event is becoming well known and is well attended by customers. It is a good opportunity for those that participate.



Did you ever leave a nursery feeling like you have a fortune in your yard? A new social event is scheduled for people like you (or people who want to feel that way). **The PLANT SWAP** will take place the same day as the tag sale (June 26th) starting promptly at 4 PM at the pavilion. For every plant that you bring, you get to take one plant away. The plants can be any size and can be indoor or outdoor plants. All plants will be placed together in one display for selection. Bring one plant or bring many. Feel free to bring friends and relatives and, please, be prompt because this event will probably last 15 minutes to a half hour.

Come celebrate with us at this year's **Annual Picnic!** Through the generosity of Lee & Sandy Rider, it will once again be held at Lake Williams Campground. All lake people (from LWBA, West Shore, & L.W. Campground) are invited free of

charge. For their guests there is a fee of \$2 per person. The campground is a wonderful place for our picnic and it is fun to gather everyone around the lake together socially.



One change this year is that a sign-up is NOT required. The planning will be based on the attendance of past years. But if you are planning on bringing many guests, it would be appreciated if you would let a committee member know ahead of time.

There will be free hot dogs, hamburgs, and soft drinks. Please bring a potluck dish or dessert that will serve 8. The campground tradition of everyone bringing their own plates, silverware, and tablecloth will be observed again. Plans are to eat at 1:00 PM and continue throughout the afternoon with activities. Do you have any ideas of ways to make this picnic into a real celebration?

The Chinese auction last year contributed substantially to the repair of the pavilion. We will be doing it again this year. I am sure that we will not be at a loss for finding worthwhile causes (restocking fish, sand, signs for the beaches,...). Handcrafted and new items can be given to a picnic committee member or brought to the picnic before noon.

As usual, volunteer help will be welcomed and is always needed. At the picnic, people are needed to cook and help with food, to sell auction tickets, etc. Come on to the picnic, pitch in, and let's all have some fun!

Picnic Committee: Audrey Koss, Valerie Dinardi, Betty Godeck, April Schulze, Barbara Panek.

Pancake Breakfast August 15th, 9:00 am

Call Lee or Sandy at Lake Williams Campground for details.



Loan, bonds to fund dam project

Low-interest \$713,000 loan will help Lebanon keep construction costs down

By DEAN R. JACOBOWITZ
Chronicle Staff Writer

LEBANON — Short-term financing for a Lake Williams dam construction project will cost the town just 2.28 percent in interest fees, officials happily announced Monday.

First Selectman Joyce Okonuk and flood and erosion control board Secretary Alan Seilhammer said Bank of Boston has offered to lend the town \$713,000 for a 10-month period, giving the town all the money it needs to rebuild the dam at the 247-acre lake.

"That's almost free," Seilhammer said of the low interest rate. "When we were doing the original budgets on this thing, we were estimating 8 percent, so we're in good

shape."

Bank of Boston was chosen for the bond issue Friday in Hartford, the lowest of five bidders. Okonuk said the highest bidder, Fleet Bank, offered to lend Lebanon the money with an interest rate of 2.5 percent.

Officials will now wait until the end of the summer to get going with the dam construction project. Townspeople agreed in February to purchase the dam and have it repaired. The state is funding roughly half of the \$1.36 million project and the people who own property around or near the lake will be funding the other half. The town as a whole will not contribute a dime toward the project.

Okonuk said the town previously issued a three-month bond at 2.04 percent interest to cover the purchase price of the dam.

She said that bond was paid off when the state came through with the money it had pledged toward the project. The new bonds will cover the construction itself, she said, adding that Carrier Enterprises of Southington will do the work.

Once the dam project is completed next spring — and the final construction costs are known — the town will issue 20-year bonds to pay the money back. Lake area residents will then be given the option of paying their assessments up front or over the life of the bonds.

The annual assessment has been projected at \$8 for every \$1,000 worth of assessed property a person owns, but that figure might be less as a result of the low short-term interest rates.



Fran Funk

Crossing Lake Williams dam

Tony Carrier of Carrier Enterprises in Southington, general contractor for the Lake Williams dam reconstruction project in Lebanon, crosses the top of the dam as work begins in earnest Wednesday morning.

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Weeds turn lake into field of green

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LEBANON — A long-awaited dam reconstruction project is finally under way at Lake Williams. But as officials pointed out Tuesday, the lake is not out of the weeds yet.

Standing on the shores of the 247-acre lake — which is being drained so work at the dam can begin — town and state officials and a handful of residents gathered to talk about the massive growth of weeds and grasses that have turned the once-pristine water body into a field of green.

"This is very frustrating for the town to deal with," said First Selectman Joyce Okonuk. "We need to make this lake usable — not just filled with water."

The \$1.36 million dam reconstruction project, funded jointly by the state and lake-area residents, began when trees and brush were cleared around the town-owned dam. Once all the water has drained — which should take another two or three days, the project engineer said — other facets of the project will get under way.

The project is expected to be completed by next spring, after which time the dam will be closed and the lake allowed to fill up to its full water level. Plagued by leaks in the dam, the lake had been kept about three feet below normal for several years.

Town officials seemed to agree Tuesday that keeping the water level below normal had a lot to do with the weed growth in the lake.

Chuck Lee of the state Department of Environmental Protection, who came to offer ideas for restoring Lake Williams' water quality, said the town would have several options: dredging the lake bottom, harvesting the weeds or killing them off with herbicides.

However, he said, any such action would have to be fully funded by the town because the state fund for lake restoration projects went dry in 1989. He also said the town would need state and federal permits before doing anything in the lake at all.

Some residents were hopeful that the weed problem will be solved naturally when the weather gets colder, or when the lake is brought back to its full-water mark.

"I hope the winter freeze will take care of it, but I don't know if I can count on that," said Gil Koss, president of the Lake Williams Beach Association.

Peg Zappulla, who owns a seasonal cottage on the lake, said she wouldn't want all the weeds removed because they act as a natural habitat for some animal species.

Others assured her that several acres of marshlands already exist around the lake and would not be altered or cleared.

Lake Williams

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE



1st Report: 11-13-93

On September 11th, 1993, an informal committee was formed from volunteers representing both the East Shore and the West Shore of Lake Williams. After some research and discussion, the consensus is that some form of regulations will probably be imposed on Lake Williams. These rules can be self imposed, or they could be dictated by some higher authority. We have the right of self determination in this case, if we choose to use it. Enclosed with this writing is a self addressed survey card for you to give us an idea of the kind of lake you would like to live on.

Several people have asked "Why do we need regulations at all?", and "Why can't we just let things stay the way they are?". These are very good questions. But things are going to change if we like the idea or not.

Fifteen years ago, our lake was alive with activity. We've been told that weekends were buzzing with some 300 motorboats, to the point where we needed a full time police boat to keep things under control. Then the fighting began with the Gilmans. Our lake went up and down like the tide over the years, and returned to full height only accidentally and briefly once or twice. The instability of the lake depressed land values as well as the spirits of the residents. Over the past fifteen years, our lake has remained artificially dormant while the rest of the world pursued its aquatic delights elsewhere. However, this dormant period is about to end.

Even as we speak, concrete is being poured into the forms of a new dam that will breathe new life into this sleeping community. And when we finally awaken next spring, things will be different. We will find that the number of motor boats in the US (according to a Coast Guard report) has nearly doubled. The number of boating accidents and fatalities has changed dramatically also. Believe it or not,

changed dramatically also. Believe it or not, there have been ONE THIRD as many accidents in 1992 than in 1976, and it wasn't because we are suddenly becoming nicer to each other. This is a direct result of increasing regulations and enforcement.

At this point in time, we have the right, granted to us by the Connecticut State Statutes, to choose for ourselves and propose our own boating regulations for our lake. If we choose to do nothing, then regulations would probably be imposed upon us by some higher authority. Over 90 percent of the lakes listed in the Connecticut Boaters Guide are currently subjected to some form of regulation.

But this brings up a very hard question. If we choose to propose regulations for ourselves and our lake, what kind of a lake would we like to have? We have reached a point in time where how we act today may impact our lives for the next hundred years. We can decide if our lake is to be a haven for fishermen, sailboats and canoes, or an exciting lake where weekends and summers are alive with speed boats, water skiing and Jet-skis. Maybe a more relaxed level of activity where the party barges and casual motor boating will suit us best.

The lake committee has reviewed the boating regulations for most of the lakes in Connecticut. Nearby lakes such as Amston lake, Andover lake and Lake Hayward have chosen to prohibit any kind of internal combustion engine. Columbia lake, Bashan lake and Lake Pocotopaug represent a free-for-all with relatively little restriction. Bolton lake, Cedar lake (in Chester), Holbrook Pond and Eagleville Lake all have restrictions that prohibit any form of high speed water activity.

Right now, we have the opportunity to decide what kind of a lake we are going to live on, probably for the rest of our lives. We, the lake committee, can only guess what might be acceptable to everyone. We need to hear more about what you think. **We are, however, certain that things are going to be different once our lake returns to its high water level. It is imperative that you fill in the attached survey card and let us know how you feel within 30 days. What kind of a lake would YOU like to live on?**

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To: Tom Manning, Chrmn
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January 20, 1994

RE: Lake Regulations

Dear Tom,

I apologize for the delay in responding to your survey regarding my opinion on regulating Lake Williams. I found myself trying to decide the future of the lake as if I was the only one making the decisions. Past experience has taught me that decisions come in basically two forms, the ones that can be retracted easily... and the ones that are difficult to alter once in place. Regulation of the lake seems to fall into the latter category.

Lack of both expertise and knowledge of the subject has hampered my judgement, so I decided to try to attack the problem from what was to me, a logical, long-term perspective. While I'm certain that many people may argue the priorities of the situation, I think that the following items should be considered.

While many other items will be important, Property Values, Safety, and Useful Enjoyment of the lake seem to be the prime considerations. With these details in mind, I would like to address the items listed on your reply card.

[] NO LIMITS ON ANYTHING

If all people could be counted on to act logically and with consideration for others, this might be an option worth considering. We know that laws and regulations have been placed on most of the activities available to us in this country for good reason. People cannot be counted on to do the right thing at all times without being told what is acceptable... and what is not! Under these circumstances optimum safety for the variety of lake users would be out of the question. With lack of safety comes lack of useful enjoyment of the lake and probably lower property values. Both the Town and State recognize the need for rules and would subsequently impose some on us if the lake were completely unregulated.

[] SPEED LIMITS

I feel that while speed limits may sound like a good idea, we've seen how they can be ignored on our state roads and highways. The cost and difficulty of enforcement would prove to be a tremendous burden. One that the Town of Lebanon will not be anxious to undertake. The town will be the practical authority as far as the lake is concerned.

[] ACTIVITY TIME PERIODS

This may be one of the more practical items on the list. Time periods are easily enforceable, yet will allow a variety of activities to be available. Combined with restricted swimming areas, time periods for powerboat activities will permit periods of optimum safety and serenity that should be acceptable to most.

Fishing (when done by knowledgeable fishermen) is done predominately during early morning and evening hours.

/ If water-skiing and other powerboat activities can be limited to midday, this would probably be acceptable to most lake users.

I think this particular item should be given strong consideration!

[] NO 'JET SKIS'

While I have no knowledge of how Jet Skis impact on safety, it seems that the primary danger is to swimmers. Once again, if there are designated swimming areas and Jet Ski use is relegated to certain time periods, it may work. I envision however, a problem with Jet Skis and boats towing water-skiers operating in the same area during the same time frame.

[] LOW SPEED LIMITS (NO WATER SKIING)

Once again, speed limits would be a burden to enforce and it probably would be unfair to exclude water skiing completely as it's evident that many people enjoy it. Designated time periods for this sport seems to be the answer here. As the lake itself is not large, and the area available to water ski is even more limited, I don't envision a large amount of activity along this line in the immediate future.

[] HORSEPOWER LIMITATIONS

I'm not overly concerned with horsepower. It doesn't seem that the amount of HP is nearly as important as how it is used.

[] NO INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES

In fairness to the multitude of outboard motors used on the lake in the past, I don't see anything detrimental to the environment of the lake area. Until such time as it is shown that they are a problem, I don't think that it's necessary to consider their exclusion.

[] NO BOATS AT ALL

Ridiculous! What do we want... a 276 acre swimming hole? Boats are an integral part of lake area life. Besides, how would island residents get to their places?

SUMMARY: I feel that all present activities can be allowed with limited regulation. Designated swimming areas and time periods for powerboats can be easily enforced with minimum oppression and maximum enjoyment and safety which will be conducive to optimum property value.

The effort and consideration that your committee is putting into this important matter is greatly appreciated.

If I can be of any help or service, please let me know.

Best Regards,

Gilbert A. Koss
Concerned Lake Williams Property Owner