

January 19, 2021
Wesley Lake Commission Minutes
Minutes Via Zoom

In Attendance:

Eileen Chapman
Keith Fiori
Deion Johnson
Edward Lacombe
Patricia Lesinski
Doug McQueen
Jenn Schimpf
Gail Rosewater

Gail Rosewater opened the meeting at 7:05 PM with member roll call, reading of the Open Public Records Act and flag salute. Gail reminded Commissioners that is meeting is recorded.

Approval of Minutes from December 15,2020:

Eileen moved, Ed seconded, and Doug asked for discussion. He requested the following be added to the minutes in the section about the Bridges. *Doug said that the Wesley Lake Commission should be noticeably clear that WLC did not initiate or request this engineering study. Neptune engineer Leanne Hoffman advised us that this study was a prerequisite to any work being done on the bridges. Further, WLC has not reviewed any municipal request for the request from T&M Associates, nor did WLC participate in the drafting the scope or evaluating the cost of T&M's proposed report.*

Minutes were approved with that modification, all in favor. Patricia abstained.

Open Public Portion

No members of the public were present.

Guest Speaker:

Michael Castellano, Executive Director, from Surfrider Foundation/Jersey Shore Chapter attended at Keith's request. He spoke about climate change, plastic pollution, and the problem of cigarette butts. He mentioned that cigarette container would be a great idea for the City. He said that people can *vote with their cigarette butts* to get them more interested in depositing them. Surfrider is having a cleanup day and Michael is in support of Wesley Lake having a spring cleanup day He wants to work together with the Commission on these issues.

Standard Reports:

Membership:

Doug swore in Jenn Schimpf, AP appointee and Deion Johnson, Neptune appointee. Commissioners all introduced themselves. David Milmoie was not present from Neptune DPW. He will be sworn in next month. Robert Bianchini was appointed Superintendent of DPW for Asbury Park and Gail will forward him information about the Commission. He will also be sworn in at the next meeting. Robert has worked in the Asbury Park DPW for many years and is familiar with Wesley Lake. Doug will sign the forms and give them to Gail. Gail will forward to the new Commissioners to sign and return.

Gail asked that all members agree to attend at least 9-10 meetings each year.

Keith called for a motion to re-elect officer as follows: Gail for Commission Chair, Doug so moved, Eileen seconded. Gail moved that Doug be elected Vice Chair. Eileen seconded. Eileen moved that Ed be elected Treasurer; Doug seconded. Gail moved that Beth be elected as Secretary. Doug seconded. All voted in favor for the above slate.

For the new members, Gail provided an overview of the Agreement of Charter and Doug provided an overview of the 5-year Budget as it relates to the Commission goals that were submitted to Neptune and Asbury Park last fall. He described the priorities of the 319 H Grant and indicated that he would send out a member survey to establish the priorities of the Commissioners.

Treasury:

Ed Lacombe reported that we have \$16,572.73. Tee moved and Doug seconded to accept the report. All approved. Ed requested, Gail moved, Tee seconded and all approved to spend \$150.00 on lasers and ropes for the Lake Geese Control plan. Ed will send the invoice to Neptune and Asbury Park for the annual \$1,000.00 municipal contribution.

Old Business

Geese Control: A document signed by the OGCMA, Neptune and the Commission giving the Commission permission to put up signs, put down REJEXIT, have a dog chaser and egg addler was signed by all parties and returned to the OGCMA so we can move forward. Ed is working on

getting the lights that came lose during a storm back in the water, he received some replacements from AWAY WITH GEESE.

Bridge Analysis:

Doug checked with T & M again about the status and they have not heard from Neptune. Gail will contact Neptune and see where the Purchase Order is.

319 H Grant:

Gail said the floating wetlands should be installed in the spring.

Water Testing:

Gail has received the supplies to test for chlorine in the lake water before and after storms and will start next week.

Pond Weed:

Gail will contact Neptune about the status of the Pond Weed Purchase Order.

New Business

Transportation Grant:

Tee mentioned the Alternate Route Transportation Grant. Eileen suggested she forward information to Michelle Alonso, the Planner for Asbury Park.

Green Team:

Eileen updated the Commission on the Green Team from Asbury Park and their initiatives: Cigarette Recycling Containers and SeaBins (Floating Devices to skim microplastics off water surface), and a Green Expo 2021.

Eileen made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 PM. Patricia seconded. All approved.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Gail Rosewater