

July 19, 2022
Wesley Lake Commission Minutes
Minutes Via Zoom

In Attendance:

Robert Bianchini

Eileen Chapman

Ed Lacombe

Joe Leone

Patricia (Tee) Lesinski

Doug McQueen

Gail Rosewater

Veronika Sonsev

Gail Rosewater opened the meeting at 7:03 PM with member roll call and reading of the Open Public Records Act.

Approval of Minutes

Doug moved and Tee seconded to approve minutes of 5/17/2022. All Commissioners approved minutes. They will be sent to the municipalities to be posted on the websites.

Open Public Portion

No members of the public present.

Standard Reports:

Treasurer:

Ed reported the balance at \$15,617.72. Both municipalities have submitted the annual \$1,000.00.

Tee moved and Doug seconded to approve Treasurers Report. All approved.

Membership:

Doug swore in Veronika Sonsev.

DPW

Robert reported that the Geese Chasers lost their vessel in the Lake. He will assist them tomorrow in getting it out with the DPW rowboat. Ed asked if they could also put the lights back where they belong. Ed and Doug will assist.

Robert explained the sprinkler along Lake Ave near Wesley Grove has a leak they cannot find. They dig up the sidewalk and replace it to find the leak,

The aerator at the West end is working very well. Robert got a longer cable to move it to deeper water.

Joe explained that a resident who lives near the Delaware Ave fire lane is planting a garden there.

Doug expressed concern about the sidewalk at the end of the Emory Street bridge being in disrepair. Eileen moved and Doug seconded for the Commission to write a letter to Code Enforcement and ask them to take a look at it. All members approved. Doug will draft the letter.

Old Business

Geese Control:

Very few geese have been seen from April to June. They have reappeared lately. Keith and Ed take pictures and send them to Robert who sends them to Birds Beware. No geese on the floating islands. No baby geese seen.

319 H Grant

Gail met with the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association, Don Brockel and Peter Avakian on June 1, to discuss the raingardens that were supposed to go in fire lanes. OGCMA expressed concern over the maintenance of the gardens and residents complaining. Gail was not able to get an update for tonight's but at the end of the June 1, meeting Don said we may have to do tree boxes to use the grant money before the deadline. Gail will attend the Deal Lake Commission meeting on July 21, to try to get an update.

Pond Weed:

Joe asked how many treatments the contract called for. Gail will send an email out to everyone tomorrow with this information. They were last out July 8, and will be out again July 22. They said pond weeds were at normal level and algae was minimal.

Lake Management Grant

Gail sent an email to the AP City Manager and Neptune Business Administrator to express concern and ask how we can better plan for 2023 grant. There was no response. She will write letters to all Council and Committee people asking them to ask the City Manager and Business Administrator to put grant writing etc. in budget for this specific grant.

Doug asked if we could go to a AP Council Workshop to explain priorities of the Commission. Gail and Doug will arrange. Gail will reach out to Neptune for the same.

Asbury Park Participatory Budget

Doug presented three applications : 1. Improve lighting and sidewalks along Lake Ave. 2. Pedestrian Plaza on Lake and Grand 3. Raised intersections on Lake Ave. He will submit them from himself.

Eileen asked if anyone had considered one for a public dock. This had been voted down at a previous Commission meeting, but Doug can send from himself as a resident. Gail will submit proposal from the Commission for outside exercise equipment tomorrow.

Robert said that the sidewalks have to be widened from the current sidewalk towards the Lake. He also said the bulkhead east of grant may be replaced so anything we do has to keep that in consideration.

Tee said that she felt we needed to keep the recreational use of the Lake in mind with these proposals.

Joe said to keep in mind stormwater issues. Robert said it should be OK.

New Business

Doug asked if we wanted to stay with ZOOM meetings. Members answered in the affirmative.

Ed moved and Robert seconded to close the meeting at 8:37 PM. All approved.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Gail Rosewater