

Wesley Lake Commission
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, July 16, 2019
Neptune Municipal Building

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Chair Gail Rosewater and notice of the NJ Open Public Meetings Act was read. Flag salute was led.

Members in attendance were Mark Balzarano, Bill McClave, Tee Lesinski, Gail Rosewater, Ed Lacombe, Beth Whaley-Mitchell, Eileen Chapman, Keith Fiori, Dr Brown

** All WLC members sworn in for 2019

MINUTES: Gail motioned for approval of May/June minutes- with the additional notes that a request for a banner was put in and that Public Portion of meeting be moved to the end of meetings was requested by the public at May meeting. BM motioned to accept. Eileen C. seconded all approved.

PUBLIC: No members of the public were present.

STANDARD REPORTS:

TREASURER REPORT

Report is same as prior meeting. Gail requests that someone take over the position of doing budget. DRAFT of 2020 Budget present by Gail. \$7,500 was added for landscape planner to cover the full AP side. OG side was not included and KF noted it should be included in the work. Gail concerned how to do this since Camp Meeting Association owns property. It was discussed to involve Shade tree Commission of Neptune/OG and get them involved.

Dredging was discussed to be added to Maintenance Budget for 2020 and going forward. Engineer present-Ben- estimated that it would be a minimum of 4000 cubic yards of materials to be removed from west end to weir wall. With no "in kind" support as in prior dredging operations this project could cost \$500k based on the Peter Avakian estimate from 2008 report of \$312k. Gail will add to budget. Gail requested opinions on how the Commission money should be spent. She also requested 300.00 in budget for community education. To be discussed at next meeting. Funding to TEXCOTE bridges to stabilize will also be put in budget.

WATER TESTING

4 members of WLC are conducting weekly testing and reporting results to Jason E. Adolf, PhD of Monmouth University. Testing will continue weekly until at least Oct 2019

319 H GRANT UPDATES

Gail and Don Brockel have been in touch on progress and design/redesigns are being worked on behind the scenes.

DPW

AP has power washed both footbridges. Estimates for cracks and sealer repair have been added to WLC budget.

Tee asked if more dog poop stations could be added to both sides and BM from AP said he would look into it

Neptune will fill in wall gap with rock to stop some floatable trash that has been escaping Eco Grates that have been added seem to have been an improvement to the amount of plastics that have been floating into Wesley Mark reported that baskets are looked into every heavy rain and that along North Wall drains need to be cleared of sand so proper drainage will continue. DPW- confirmed sidewalk repair is CMA responsibility and is private property of OG

CMA- Gates Discussed

It was determined that gates are on Neptune property and sidewalks, trash cans are CMA responsibility.

Mark brought up who's Liability Insurance covers the sidewalk area

Eileen and John Moore from AP met with Neptune Mayor Rizzo and Dr Brantley to express the issues of public access, safety and optics of division

AP offered a pilot program paid for by AP of cameras and lighting and was denied by Mayor Rizzo- her response was "Ocean Grove is a 65 and older community and a riot would ensue if the gates were removed." Brantley said it's not her sole decision and would need to be discussed by Neptune Council- Rizzo said this vote would not take place until September 19.

Safety and Community is AP concerns and AP asked for a public vote- Rizzo said no Legally public access can be limited to a period of time with proper signage included.

The issue of OG parking is also weighing in on Mayor Rizzo's decision and AP suggest they solve their parking problem and hire experts.

Keith Fiori made a motion that WLC vote on removal of Gates and take a position. Also requested that a letter be sent to Rizzo from Gail. Vote was unanimous to remove gates with Beth abstained

SIDEWALKS

Gail on behalf of Doug asked if the WLC could approach Neptune Tax Assessor, Mayor and Dr Brantley to respond to fixing sidewalks or be in default of Green Acres maintenance.

Commissioners felt it better to approach in another way. Beth has reached out to CMA leader Michael Badger to express concerns of WLC and he has been slow to respond. Mark expressed the concern that all parties need to be on same room to discuss the sidewalk repair and responsibility and get this decided and discuss next steps. Beth said she would report back ASAP

LANDSCAPE

Gail brought up the new garden done by APESTC near Wesley Grove.

Sonia asked for "Rules of Lake Usage" to be written and added to websites via email. Some members responded.

8:30 meeting adjourned

Submitted By Keith Fiori