

JANUARY 9, 2013

A FORMAL meeting of the FLETCHER LAKE COMMISSION was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bradley Beach Municipal Complex, after which the roll was called.

In attendance were Charles A. Quixley, Chairman; William Mockridge, Vice-Chairman; Randy Bishop, Committeeman; Mark Balzarano, Public Works; Susan Roach; Marc Rosenthal; Suzanne Klarewicz; and Olga Blum, Secretary.

Also present were Phyllis Quixley and Marie Voidt.

THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WERE DISCUSSED:

(1) There was a discussion about nominating officers for the coming year, but with Balzarano's voice resonating throughout the hall. If it's not broke don't fix it, the same slate of officers was re-elected for 2013.

Klarewicz made a motion that the secretary be paid a yearly stipend of \$150. The motion was seconded by Mockridge, and carried.

(2) The Chairman introduced the electric bills for this month which total \$85.37. This is just an estimate because the actual bills are in the hands of our treasurer. The bills were paid 2 weeks ago, but there might be an overlap, and we should be getting a credit on our next bill for \$30.00. That's the bill for the light at the end of the footbridge. Roach made a motion to pay the above bill in the total amount of \$85.37. The motion was seconded by Balzarano, and carried.

(3) We have received a donation of \$500 from the Bradley Beach Run Committee. A letter of appreciation will be sent to them at this time.

(4) The Chairman put together a starting proposal for FEMA. Although we are a separate entity, the borough engineer took it upon himself and made a proposal for everyone, including us. The Chairman

contacted Avakian. They did a walk around the lake to estimate our damages, which came to one hundred plus, while the engineer's estimate for us was half that amount, \$50,000. But our estimate does include a burned out aerator. A discussion ensued as to what FEMA would pay for and would not pay for.

They're putting together a final proposal to FEMA, and there is quite a big difference between the engineer's and our estimates. A lengthy discussion followed with reference to the above.

- (5) Bishop described a meeting he had with Jennifer Beck and Tom Arnone. They are trying to get the lakes dredged and have the debris removed. They are calling it a regional mitigation project.
- (6) During the storm Balzarano had to open the lower sluice gate because he could not open the upper one. And in doing so a lot of the sand and silt was flushed out of the lake. But he did have to maintain it and watch it. He also noted that if the lake had been dredged, he would have been able to open the upper gate. The Chairman added that he would like to call Fletcher Lake a water shed because then the county, the state and everybody is involved and would help us with our funding. Also Bishop mentioned that he was talking to a young corps of engineer and he said that our lake is exactly the kind of thing they would like to do. (An off the record discussion followed.)
- (7) Bishop talked about his desire to meet with the Mayors and Council of Bradley Beach and Avon to get something moving on his regionalization project. The Chairman will follow up with it also.
- (8) Balzarano spoke at length about opening the sluice gate and the water entering over the wall and draining from the lake as the tide came in. He also mentioned that he will check the control boxes to see if the electrical equipment was under water or not, or whether there is any sign of corrosion.
- (9) The Chairman reported that his helper Alejandro obtained a

full time job and is not available to help us too often. He will have to see what can be done to alleviate the problem.

(10) There was a discussion about the benches. The Chairman received numerous calls from residents saying they want to see their benches back. The Chairman said that we will have to decide whether to repair the broken ones or not. We also have to decide how long do we want to maintain them. People have also been asking about their pavers. They are all covered with sand, but they seem to be intact, including the writing on them. There was also a lengthy discussion about cleaning off the 3 feet of sand that accumulated on the pavers, also about the gazebo itself and the flag poles. Everyone seems to be in agreement to repair the flag poles rather than purchase new ones. There was no motion required.

(11) Bishop explained to the police chief that he would like to have a meeting about his regionalization mitigation project, with all the local officials present. The Chairman said he will also contact the mayor.

(12) It was reported by the Chairman that we need someone to supply a list of all the flowers, bushes, shrubs and trees we lost because there are people that are offering donations to replace them.

(13) There was a discussion as to whether we really want the proposed rain forest that was mentioned at the last meeting. Bishop said that on July 5th World Changers and Southern Baptist Relief Committee are coming with 600 people to this area to do some restoration work.

Mockridge made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Roach, and carried. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Olga Blum, Secretary