

MEETING OF THE WESLEY LAKE COMMISSION
JULY 14, 2015

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER 5:35 pm BY Sharon Davis (Chairperson Brantley arrived 5:45PM)

ATTENDANCE: Pastor Brown absent

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES of June 16, 2015: Motion to approved: Jim Henry
Second Sue Henderson
Approved, one abstention

SPECIAL REPORT: Peter Avakian (PA) and Stephen Souza, (SS) Princeton Hydro
Wesley Lake Pond Weed treatment

SS stopped at the lake on his way to this meeting and is extremely disappointed with its response to treatments. The herbicide is low in bio-toxicity. Heat accelerates the growth of the pond weed.

There are three ways to deal with the weeds:

1. Biologically with small lake grass carp. Wesley Lake does not meet the 10 acre requirement
2. Mechanically, removing the pond weed with a clipper, but due to the bulkheads this would be very difficult and can cost two times more than if the shoreline was a slopping to the water
3. Herbicide which isn't the best way but may be the only way to control the growth

Contributors to the pond weed environment are high phosphorus in the storm water runoff (feces of dog/geese and pesticides) and organic material on the bottom floor of the lake feeds the pond weed. The high light penetration to the bottom of the shallow lake depth contributed a great deal to the weed growth.

JOE WOERNER – The DEP was here doing testing this summer and the “load” testing revealed that dog/geese are a large contributor along with levels of petroleum still appear.

SS - Plan is to treat early in the season, low doses and keep on top of it. He will try to ‘squeak’ out one more treatment. He encouraged rain gardens in as many places in the watershed and long the lake front as possible to help filter storm water.

Commissioners requested a quote for weed harvesting for next year.

OLD BUISNESS: Jim Henry (JH)

One aerator is installed in the lake. Waiting on JCP&L to inspect the new meter for the other aerator, he has called several times. He will call again.

TREAUERS REPORT: Jim Henry (JH)

No activity. MOTION to accept the report: Sue Henderson
SECOND: Tee Lesinski
Unanimous Approval

MOTION FOR A RESOLUTION FROM THE COMMMISSION to accept the amendments to the Charter of the Wesley Lake Commission:

MOTION: Sharon Davis
SECOND: Sue Henderson
Unanimous Approval

FUNDRAISING:

Chairperson Brantley (MB) reported he met with two business owners about fundraising ideas. He will get the notes from the meeting and share what they discussed.

SUBCOMMITTEE formed: Tee Lesinski, Gail Rosewater, Dani (Daniele) Boglivi fiori, Jen Lampert and Jackie Pappas, Carol Kaplin and Michael Clemens. Tee will contact Jackie Pappas and Dani will contact Jen about the first meeting

OTHER BUSINESS:

Joe Woerner discussed the outflow pipe at the east end of the lake. The city's (Asbury Park) grant writer is looking into funding for the 25% left after the 75% promised by the Army Corp of Engineers to replace the faulty pipe installation during beach replenishment. He will report back with the status.

PUBLIC PORTION

MOTION to open the meeting to the Public: Tee Lesinski
SECOND: Joe Woerner

Discussion and suggestions by the public about lake cleanups, new parking lots in the Asbury Park redevelopment areas, "adopt" an area around Wesley Lake by businesses (similar to the adopt a highway campaign) and rain gardens along Wesley Lake. The commission will revisit rain gardens as outlined in the "Master Rehabilitation Plan of Wesley Lake"

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Tee Lesinski
SECOND: Mark Balzarano
ADJOURNED 7:12 PM