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Meeting of the Wesley Lake Commission

Tuesday, January 20, 2015

Meeting Facilitator: Dr. Michael Brantley

Roll Call

Peter Avalian
Mark Balzarano
Dr. Michael Brantley
Paul Brown
Sharon Davis
Susan Henderson
Jim Henry
Tee Lesinski
Beth Miller
Gail Rosewater
Joe Woerner

The meeting was called to order at 5:37 PM by Dr. Michael Brantley
The Open Public Meeting Act was read by Dr. Brantley and Jim Henry.

Swearing in of Commissioners

Neptune Committeeman Bishop swore in all Commissioners in attendance for a one year term.

By-Laws

Discussion occurred concerning an addendum written some time ago to By-Laws increasing the number of Commissioners to 9 regular member and 2 alternates. The Commissioners were unclear as to if the addendum was ever presented for signature to the municipalities and distributed? The addendum to the By-Laws concerning the composition of the Commission was read by Dr. Brantley as follows (minus the member's names):

One elected official or their representative from each municipality (AP and Neptune)-Joe Woerner and Dr. Michael Brantley

The City Manager or their representative from each of the municipalities-Susan Henderson and Sharon Davis

Municipal Engineer or DPW employee from each municipality-Joe Cunha and Mark Balzarano

Residents from each of the municipalities-Tee Lesinski and Pastor Brown

One member at large-Jim Henry

Alternate from each of municipality-Gail Rosewater and Beth Miller

Jim Henry will write up the addendum to modify the By-Laws as requested (increase membership to 9 plus 2 alternates plus the clarification below) and Joe Woerner and Dr. Brantley will process them with their municipality for resolution, approval and signature. It was also read that each member of the Commission has one vote except the Member at Large, who votes in case of a tie. A Quorum is 5 of the 9 members. Alternates do not vote or count in the quorum, they only vote when a member is not present.

Sharon made a motion and Mark seconded it to accept Jim Henry as the Member at Large. All present voted to approve.

Sue made a motion and Sharon seconded to accept Peter Avakian, Engineer, as a resource member. All approved.

Minutes

Minutes from November and December were distributed by Dr. Brantley. Jim Henderson made a motion to defer approval of the minutes until the February meeting.

Meeting Schedule

The third Tuesday of the month at 5:30 is the regular meeting time. Roberta from Neptune sends out the meeting reminder.

Engineers Report ???????

The Township of Neptune got a \$1.4 million grant from NRCS post Hurricane Sandy funding. The wall was repaired and the lake dredged. Contractor won both competitive bids in February 2014. The wall was completed. An Open Space Grant was also received by Neptune and they used the funds to replace part of the wall and dredged the lake near the eastern end. The western end dredging was last done in December 2010. 500-1,000 more yards need more dredging. The new wall is much more stable. The shore line is now deeper. Retaining walls keep sediment from going into storm drain and into Lake. Permits are needed to dredge the west end.

Future plans are to evaluate flood issues and drainage, and make recommendations to planning boards as they review applications that would control water generated from water shed.

?????Mark spoke with Joe C. from AP. He said no cage in the new AP _____? But will be looked at. Storm sceptor cleans water from storm drain-takes floatables and sediment out. Once garbage hits lake you need permit to take out. State drain has no sceptors on it. State did not add "eco heads"

Pond Weed

We should be more on top if it this year. The permit from last year should be continued. Joe C. from AP and Lee Ann from Neptune are getting quotes. We need an update from them. Motion made to accept Engineer's report by Tee and seconded by Sharon. All approved.

Treasurers Report

The current balance is \$11,494.97. It has not changed since last month.

A request was made by Dr. Brantley for each municipality to make a their regular \$1,000 annual contribution to the Commission. Joe W. will take to AP and Dr. Brantley to Neptune. Tee made a motion and Shore on seconded. All approved.

Aeration

No report. Peter and Tee will have at next meeting.

Fundraising

Delayed until next meeting. Tee will report.

New Business

Jim was approached to support the City of Asbury Parks Sustainability Community Grant application and he wrote on behalf of the Commission.

Joe W. (arrived after swearing in) and Pastor Brown (absent) will be sworn in at the next meeting.

Joe W. asked if the Plan of the Lake needed to be updated. It will be discussed at the next meeting. A subcommittee will review the plan and advise.

A motion was made by Tee and seconded by Sharon to open the meeting to the public.

Public Portion of Meeting

Questions and *Answers*:

The aeration process- the fountains to be installed. It was explained they get clogged and removed but will be replaced.

The availability of the Plan and minutes to the WEB Site. *Dr. Brantley requested that when approved the minutes be put to the WEB Site and the Plan posted once discussed by the Commission.*

The cleanliness of the Lake. *Peter explained the Lake has been neglected for many years and has 750 acres of urban watershed that goes into it. He explained artificial chemicals and can be put in the Lake to make it look better but he does not advise. Dr. Brantley asked for recommendation by April from Peter to improve the Lake. Beth added that new construction has an impact on the water quality and amount of draining into the Lake.*

Pond weed in 2010. *It was explained it was a different weed than 2014.*

Clean up- *There will be another one the spring organized by the friends of Wesley Lake. Perhaps on Earth Day or Make a Difference Day or both.*

Sue moved and Tee seconded a motion to adjourn at 7:07 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

Gail Rosewater

