

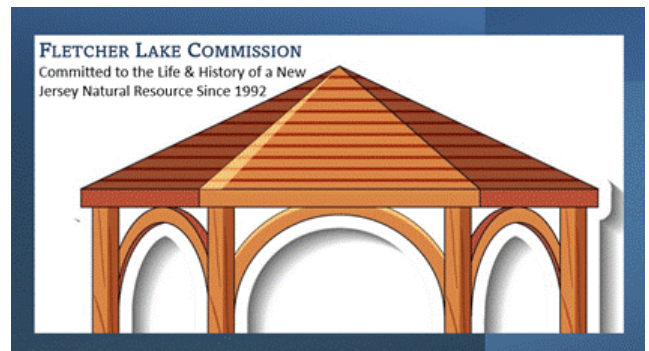
Fletcher Lake Commission Agenda

September 10th, 2026, 6pm

Bradley Beach Borough Hall

- Call to Order / Pledge of Allegiance
- Approval of the Minutes from June's Meeting
- Treasurer's Report – (Submitted to BB/BA)

JCPL bills will be paid by the budget remaining in the Commission's stipend. [\$46.05, \$268.42, \$44.64, \$173.32, \$85.36, \$195.98]



New Business (Bullet-Points)

Approval of 2027 Meeting Schedule

All meetings are at 6pm in the Borough Hall room

Jan 14th

Mar 11th

April 8th

May 13th

June 10th

July 8th

Sept 9th

Oct 14th

Nov 11th

Vote on the Aerator Lights for the other 2 aerators

Set cleanup day

Neptune put screens on open drain sewers on the north side of the lake

Bradley DPW installed new fence and chained lock at east end of lake to protect from vandalism

Schedule Bradley DPW to stain bridge October/November

Schedule Fish Stocking for first two weeks in April. Vote need to get bids in January on the 2027 budget.

Aerator Light Status:

All three (3) light assemblies have been changed to white.

Below are the operating times for the aerators:

- **New York Avenue:** 0900–1200 hrs / 1500–2300 hrs
- **Pilgrim Pathway:** 0600–0900 hrs / 1200–1500 hrs / 1800–2300 hrs
- **Franklin Avenue:** 0900–1200 hrs / 1500–1800 hrs
- **Tennis Courts:** 0600–0900 hrs / 1200–1500 hrs / 1800–2300 hrs

All lights operate from **2000–2300 hrs**.

Discussion Items

1. Andy's \$100.00 payment for watering the plants for 2026. If the 3k limit has been met for Bradley Beach and Neptune Township, the \$100.00 per PO approved will be paid out of the FLC account.

2. I would like to propose **October 24th for the cleanup** with a start at 10AM instead of alternative of October 17th, third would be the 10th. We have the following events. Please note Sunday has a conflict with Church services.

a. There is a 5K Race for Recovery in Ocean Grove on Saturday, October 24. Registration opens at 8:00 AM, the 5K starts at 9:30 AM, and the main race activities are expected to wrap up around 10:30–11:00 AM. The

course starts at the Ocean Grove Boardwalk Pavilion, goes south along the boardwalk into Bradley Beach, then returns through Ocean Grove and into Asbury Park.

b. Saturday, October 10 — Ocean Grove Fall Harvest Festival Arts & Crafts Show, 10:00 AM–4:00 PM. This is one of Ocean Grove’s larger fall events, with artists, crafters, specialty food vendors and crowds concentrated around Main Avenue, Pilgrim Pathway and Auditorium Square Park.

c. Saturday, October 17 — Mary’s Place by the Sea Walk-A-Thon & Run, centered on Ocean Pathway and the Ocean Grove boardwalk. The Township approved the overall event from 7:00 AM–2:00 PM; the run starts at 9:45 AM and walk at 10:15 AM. There are expected to be about 40 vendors plus food vendors/food trucks, so this will also generate parking and pedestrian traffic. Individuals can he use and then participate in the Walk-A-Thon.

d. A vote is needed to approve the date of the Clean-Up.

3. The following items need approval via a PO and use off the Vendor list for:

a. 4 trash grabbers - \$35.00 (We can probably get these from BB-DPW)

b. Stickers to put on our signs - \$25.00

4. I am requesting a vote to create a PO in January 2027 to stock the fish per the 2026 approval the first two weeks in April. I will also ensure that the current NJDEP requirements are still in effect in 2027.

Additional Update on Aerator Timing & Operation

Due to the influx of the West Nile Virus carried by mosquitos, we have been advised to run the aerators for more hours. This is the information on the background to do so. In addition, we have advised Neptune and Bradley Beach officials as to this action. The following has been provided by Bill Grafton:

Keeping Fletcher Lake’s aerators operating as consistently as possible can be an important part of controlling mosquitoes. Aerators circulate and agitate water, reducing stagnant conditions that mosquitoes favor for laying eggs and developing as larvae. **Monmouth County Mosquito Control specifically identifies eliminating stagnant water and improving aquatic habitat for fish and other natural mosquito predators as important mosquito-control strategies.**

<https://www.co.monmouth.nj.us/PressDetail.aspx?ID=4126>

<https://www.nj.gov/health/news/2025/approved/20250703a.shtml>

Rutgers University’s Center for Vector Biology similarly reports that mosquito larvae are generally concentrated in protected, shallow, vegetated margins rather than open, disturbed water, and notes that larger ponds and lakes with wave action and mosquito-eating fish are generally poor mosquito-producing habitats. For Fletcher Lake, continuously operating the aerators when practical helps maintain water movement and dissolved oxygen while supporting fish and other organisms that consume mosquito larvae. **For these reasons, running the aerators as much as operationally practical should be considered part of Fletcher Lake’s overall mosquito-management program.**

In addition: the efforts of Bradly Beach and Neptune to share some of the costs attributed to the support of Fletcher Lake required Bradley & Neptune to come to terms on the various costs and agree upon such coverages. The following has been provided by Robert Lane, liaison for Neptune Township.

To resolve the contribution to Fletcher Lake, Neptune will issue a PO for \$2,040 toward the geese control services.

Instead of Neptune paying half of the geese bill of \$6,000 (our share would be \$3,000), we said Bradley Beach should pay half of the motor (\$960).

So, \$3,000 minus Bradley's share of the motor \$960 = \$2,040 from Neptune to Bradley Beach.

So Neptune's out of pocket is actually \$1,920 + \$2,040 = \$3,960 for this year.

Anthony DiMaio will be presenting to the Commission the request to increase the annual budget/stipend for Fletcher Lake expenditures to a total of \$9,000 annually, to be equally shared by Neptune and Bradley. This would cover the electric bills, the egg addling, the geese control and other associated costs such as planting, watering, and cleanup days.

BB: Anthony DiMaio, Marc Rosenthal, Sal Galasetti, Shana Greenblatt BB Liaison (alt: Lynda Brown)

NEP: Linda Henderson, Pam Reinhart, William Grafton, Robert Lane Neptune Liaison (alt: Nancy Gallagher)

Below article on Fletcher Lake from The Coaster:



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Fletcher Lake Making a Historic Comeback

by The Coaster Editorial Staff — August 5, 2026 in Bradley Beach Reading Time: 2 mins read



Fletcher Lake between Bradley Beach and Ocean Grove is developing positive and sustainable ecological momentum pointing toward a healthier lake ecosystem.