

August 16, 2022
Wesley Lake Commission Minutes
Minutes Via Zoom

In Attendance:

Dr. James Brown

Keith Fiori

Ed Lacombe

Joe Leone

Patricia (Tee) Lesinski

Doug McQueen

Gail Rosewater

Jennifer Schimpf

Veronika Sonsev

Special Guests: Barbara Krzak, Planning Board

Carrie Turner, Art Council

Gail Rosewater opened the meeting at 7:03 PM with member roll call and reading of the Open Public Records Act.

Asbury Park Art Council

Carrie Turner from the Asbury Park Arts Council was present to inform the Commission of their project to paint twelve square cement bases of the light posts in blue and green geometric designs from St. James to Grand Ave. along Lake Ave. A picture of the designs was shown during the ZOOM. The Council has secured grant funds for the beautification project, and it will begin around Labor Day. Doug asked if the light poles could also be painted, and Barbara Krzak asked if a clear coat could be put on to protect from graffiti. Carrie said she would investigate

both. Dr. Brown moved, Doug seconded, all approved to support the AP Arts Council in this initiative.

Approval of Minutes

Ed moved and Doug seconded to approve minutes of 7/19/2022. All Commissioners approved minutes. They will be sent to the municipalities to be posted on the websites.

Open Public Portion

No members of the public present.

Standard Reports:

Treasurer:

Ed reported the balance at \$15,617.72. Both municipalities have submitted the annual \$1,000.00. Tee moved and Doug seconded to approve Treasurers Report. All approved.

Budget

Gail will send last year's budget and narrative and a DRAFT of 2023 out before next meeting. She asks for Commission feedback. She asked if we were OK without Rejexit, and the Commissioners agreed to not do it again. Keith F. said we had a good year with Goose Management. Gail is writing a letter to all elected officials in both municipalities to get their attention focused on grants and ask for meetings to discuss grants, what we could do better and inform them of our Lake accomplishments and challenges.

DPW

Gail asked Joe if he was aware of a Shared Services Agreement. She had heard reference to its limitations. He was not. Gail will request a copy.

Doug expressed concern about the sidewalk at the end of the Emory Street bridge being in disrepair. (Eileen moved and Doug seconded for the Commission to write a letter to Code Enforcement and ask them to look at it at the July meeting. All members approved.) Doug will draft the letter.

Old Business

Geese Control:

Lights were put back in place on July 20, by APDPW, Ed and Doug. Doug said we need to check to make sure they are all blinking. Ed said he will.

319 H Grant

Gail attended the Deal Lake Commission meeting on July 21, at which Peter Avakian announced the Ocean Grove rain gardens are moving forward. Floating Islands are healthy and in full bloom. Schools of fish have been observed.

Pond Weed:

Gail explained the Pond Weed contract does not specify how many treatments, just that it runs from May to September from Heck Street to Bond Street. The cost is \$10,300. Keith asked if the dead pond weed can be taken out. Doug asked if it is harmful. Doug asked if eventually the pond weed would decompose. Joe said yes. Ed said garbage gets caught in it. Gail will email Black Lagoon.

Asbury Park Participatory Budget

Doug and Gail both submitted proposals.

Dredging

Keith will investigate it.

New Business

October 8, from 10-12 is the next cleanup day.

Doug expressed concern over the wire cages at the east end. Floatables are getting thru. Gail will text Robert.

Keith F. moved and Tee seconded to close the meeting at 8:05 PM. All approved.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Gail Rosewater