Meeting of the Wesley Lake Commission

Tuesday, May 19, 2015

Meeting Facilitator: Dr. Brantley

Roll Call

Dr Brantley Sharon Davis Sue Henderson Jim Henry Peter Avakian Mark Balzarano Beth Miller Joe Werner Paul Brown

The meeting was called to order by Dr. Brantley. The minutes of the Wesley Lake commission April 2015 meeting were approved (with corrections) with a motion from Jim Henry and seconded by Sue Henderson. Corrections to the minutes were provided by Jim Henry. The minutes have been posted on the Neptune Township web site.

BY-LAWS

Dr Brantley led the discussion on the modifications of the BY-LAWS. He read each section of the entire document which was followed by discussion by the commissioners. Jim Henry would work with Tiffany Bailoni to locate the electronic copy of the BY-LAWS so that the commissioners changes can be incorporated in the document. Sharon Davis made the motion to submit a corrected version of the document along with a map of the Lake to the Township of Neptune and Asbury Park committees and the motion was seconded by Mark Balzarano. Jim Henry abstained from the general vote because he authored significant changes to the document. Jim Henry will give all changes to Tiffany and Peter Avakian will provide the map of the Lake.

RE-ORGANIZATION

Jim Henry made the motion that the Wesley Lake commission continue functioning with the current personnel until the modified BY-LAWS have been approved. The motion was seconded by Sue Henderson.

OLD BUSINESS

Sue Henderson and Peter Avakian will draft a letter to request that both city of Asbury Park and Neptune Township add another level of approval for any new site development in the watershed area. In addition, the issue of contribution by both Townships was discussed. Beth Miller suggests that contributions should remain the same that is fifty versus fifty equal share amongst the Townships. Sharon Davis indicated that the representation on the Wesley Lake commission

should mirror the level of contribution given by each Township. Joe Werner said that contribution could be distributed based on the percentage of the watershed area in Asbury Park and Neptune Township. However, Sue Henderson thought that the frontage of the lake in Asbury Park and Neptune Township may be considered in determining the contribution. Peter Avakian plans to provide the watershed footprint of the area which could be used to determine the contribution amounts for each Township.

This issue of Asbury Park residents and business patrons parking in Ocean Grove was discussed as well as Neptune Police locking the gate on the bridge at midnight. Further discussion of the issue will follow.

Finally, there was significant discussion regarding weed treatment of the lake versus other Asbury Park priorities. Payment for the pond weed treatment has been approved by Neptune Township but it has not been approved by Asbury Park Township.

Treasury Report

Jim reported that Asbury Park contribution for the Wesley Lake commission was received. The amount of \$100 was paid for the Post Office box. The balance in the account is \$13,394.97. The motion to accept the treasury report was submitted by Sue Henderson and seconded by Sharon Davis.

Action Items

- 1. Peter Avakian will discuss the possibility of Neptune Township fixing the wall so that the safety fence can be removed.
- 2. Jim Henry will provide a brief report on the cage on the Asbury Park side which collects garbage from the lake.

Public Section

James McMichael is collecting signatures to have the Neptune Police department lock the gate at 10 p.m. instead of midnight. He has collected 35 signatures so far.

The purchase of the aerators have been approved by the commission and they will be installed by Asbury Park D. D. P. Jim Henry will obtain an invoice for Tee Lesinski to move forward with the purchase.

Robert will assume the Joe Cunha's responsibilities on the commission.

The motion to close the public section of the meeting was submitted by Sue Henderson and was seconded by Beth Miller.

Mark Balzarano motioned that the meeting be adjourned and the motion was seconded by Sue Henderson. The next Wesley Lake meeting is schedule for June 16, 2015.