

TOWN OF HAMMONTON
Hammonton Lake Water Quality Advisory Committee
Minutes

Tuesday, July 8, 2014

Chairman Reitmeyer opened the meeting at 7:30 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

Robert Reitmeyer, Chairman
John Sciani
John Keenan
Robert Roesch
John Fortis

Members Absent:

Nick Cassetta
Dr. Tait Chirenji
Bill Parkhurst
Steve Mortelliti
Jen Mayer
Paul Galletta

Others Present:

Dan Bachalis – Council Representative

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2014 meeting made by R. Roesch, seconded by J. Fortis. All in favor. Abstained, J. Sciani. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Committee Reports:

Town Council: Councilman Bachalis reported that a presentation was given by the Pinelands Preservation Alliance & NJ Future on aquifer protection, and that interviews for a prospective intern will begin shortly.

Parks & Recreation Commission: Councilman Bachalis reported that the Purple Martin House has been installed and that the Lake Park Revitalization Committee has met.

Environmental Commission: R. Reitmeyer reported that the Commission will be completing the sign installation for the 2013 ANJEC Open Space Grant and has spent significant time on tree removals necessitated by the Grape Street project.

Green Committee: Councilman Bachalis reported that the main focus has been on Green Day preparations

Old Business:

1. **Lake Lowering Depth:** Reitmeyer discussed that additional consensus is needed on the matter to finalize on the amount of Lake Lowering to pursue approval for, be it 2 ft. or 3 ft. One significant question is whether lowering the lake 3 ft. significantly increases risk to the health of the lake ecosystem. Reitmeyer will continue to seek an answer from Chris Smith of the NJDEP.
2. **Improved Channel 9 Presence:** Reitmeyer has received the proper formatting requirements for items on Channel 9. R. Roesch indicated he will provide slides for the “10 steps”. It was also discussed that images of lake activities be provided as well.

New Business:

1. **Lakeside Erosion (Ballfield Loop):** Reitmeyer will contact Jerry Barberio to inquire into the status of this area of concern and provide an update to the Committee.

Other New Business:

1. Provide sign for Lake stating “No Gas Motors”
2. Web presence for HLWQAC. Reitmeyer will discuss with Town Hall
3. Does the increased number of lily pads in the Lake indicate a problem?
4. Myco-filtration- stormwater filtration for bacteria?
5. Scheduled cleaning of Clean Flo filters – Reitmeyer will Contact Jerry Barberio

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Reitmeyer
HLWQAC, Town of Hammonton