Chairman Reitmeyer opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:**
- Robert Reitmeyer, Chairman
- Paul Galletta, Vice Chairman
- John Keenan
- Robert Roesch
- Steve Mortelliti
- Jen Mayer
- John Fortis

**Members Absent:**
- John Sciani
- Dr. Tait Chirenje
- Bill Parkhurst
- Dan Bachalis

**Others Present:**
Steven Furgione – Council Representative

**Approval of Minutes:**
Motion to approve the minutes of the January 2015 meeting made by P. Galletta, seconded by R. Roesch. All In favor. Abstained, John Keenan and Steve Mortelliti. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** None

**Committee Reports:**

- **Town Council:** Grape Street improvements are nearly complete, Pratt Street improvements are underway. The Lake Drive drainage improvements are complete and seem to have improved the drainage at the intersection. The Drip Irrigation project for Boyer Avenue is scheduled to begin in April.

- **Parks & Recreation Commission:** No Report

- **Environmental Commission:** R. Reitmeyer reported that the Commission is working to finalize its preparations for the Lake Park Cleanup and planning for future events like Arbor Day. Will meet tomorrow night.
Old Business:

1. **7th Annual Lake Park Cleanup**: The Committee discussed final preparations for the upcoming event. It was recommended that additional flyers be placed and contact made with potential volunteer organizations.

2. **Mission Statement**: The Committee discussed the previously circulated draft copy of the Mission Statement. The revised version is as follows:

   The Mission of the Hammonton Lake Water Quality Advisory Committee is:
   
   - To promote the natural processes that support the flora and fauna that live in, or by, the Hammonton Lake.
   - To highlight the importance of our lake to the community’s quality of life by raising public awareness about opportunities for recreation and relaxation by the lake.
   - To preserve, protect, enhance and enlighten residents of our hidden treasure!

New Business:

1. **2015 Committee Budget Resolution for Council**: The Committee reviewed the proposed letter to Mayor and Council. After discussion a motion was made by R. Roesch and Seconded by S. Mortellite to accept the resolution and forward it to Mayor and Council. All in Favor. Motion approved. Councilman Furgione will bring the document with him to the upcoming budget discussion.

Other New Business:

1. Bladderwart Herbicide Application update was provided by P. Galletta. He has spoken with John Helbig of ARH, who indicated that 1 proposal was received in the amount of $27,000.00. Some discussion ensued on whether this proposal included the potential for “spot” treatment.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Reitmeyer
HLWQAC, Town of Hammonton