

TOWN OF HAMMONTON
Hammonton Lake Water Quality Advisory Committee
Minutes

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

Councilman Pullia opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

Robert Reitmeyer, Chairman
John Scianni
Steve Mortellite
Bill Parkhurst
Paul Galletta

Members Absent:

Dr. Tait Chirenje
Robert Roesch
John Keenan
Otto Hernandez

Others Present:

Joseph Giraldo - Town Council
Michael Torrissi – Town Council
John Rizotte - Public

Committee Reorganization:

Motion to appoint Commissioner Robert Reitmeyer as Committee Chairman was made by Commissioner Galletta, seconded by Commissioner Parkhurst. All in favor. Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Commissioner John Keenan as Committee Vice Chairman was made by Commissioner Parkhurst, seconded by Commissioner Scianni. All in favor. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the December 2015 meeting, as amended, made by B. Parkhurst, seconded by J. Scianni. All In favor. Motion Approved.

Correspondence: None

Public Comment:

Resident John Rizzotte provided a copy of water lowering permit issued by the NJDEP to Deal Lake and asked if the Town could pursue a similar permit in case of high water levels at Hammonton Lake.

Committee Reports:

Town Council: Councilman Pullia reported that Councilman Giraldo would be our regular Council representative, but that Councilman Furgione would continue to be involved in the bladderwort herbicide application, that the Town is seeking to procure the

necessary items for the herbicide application, that Council may consider a “not to exceed” motion to fund repairs to the existing Clean Flo units and Council will need an answer on the benefit and approvability of the Clean Flo additives..

Parks & Recreation Commission: No Report

Environmental Commission: Robert Reitmeyer reported that the formation of the 2016 Work plan was discussed. The February meeting will include a presentation by NJ Future regarding green stormwater infrastructure.

Old Business:

1. Public Forum Review: The Committee discussed the comments from the forum recorded by Dan Bachalis. Bachalis is also reviewing the surveys.

2. Lake Management Discussion: Paul Galletta discussed that the next lake lowering should occur next in accordance with our Lake Management Plan (LMP). Galletta also mentions that the Committee should review the existing LMP for potential revisions.

New Business:

1. 2016 Planning Items: Reitmeyer circulated a proposed LWQAC work plan developed by Dan Bachalis and asked all members to consider which items they could lead.

2. 2016 Hammonton Lake Park Cleanup: The Committee discussed planning items for the upcoming event. The best dates for the event seem to be Saturday March 19th and Saturday April 2nd. It will be necessary to finalize a date at the February meeting. All other planning items will be similar to past year’s events.

Other New Business:

1. Paul Galletta brought up for discussion that the Committee seems to be one alternate short. After discussion it was recommended by the Committee to the Council members present that John Fortis be renamed to the potential vacancy since he has served previously.

2. Paul Galletta brought up for discussion that all members should become familiar with the Town ordinances that relate to the Committee.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Reitmeyer

HLWQAC, Town of Hammonton