

JUNE 12, 2013

A FORMAL meeting of the FLETCHER LAKE COMMISSION was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Bradley Beach Municipal Complex, after which the roll was called.

In attendance were Charles A. Quixley, Chairman; William Mockridge, Vice-Chairman; Robert Scholz, Treasurer; Mark Balzarano, Public Works; Susan Roach; Cathy Rechlin; Marc Rosenthal; Suzanne Klarewicz; and Olga Blum, Secretary

Also present were Phyllis Quixley, Marie Voidt and Connie Ogden.

THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS WERE DISCUSSED:

- (1) The Chairman spoke with the electric company a couple of times. They said that the power for the flag pole lights should be turned on this week. We've gotten numerous calls as to why the flags aren't up yet. It was supposed to be done by Friday. The bill is only \$3.15 a month, their minimum charge, but it's been since the storm. However, Balzarano pointed out that if we shut off the service, they will charge us to re-connect it. The Chairman replied that we shouldn't lose too much sleep over it.
- (2) We have an order for another bench and a \$100 deposit. Another is for three 8 x 8 pavers for \$450. Two other people donated \$300 for two 8 x 8s, and we got a couple of more calls today, plus offers to volunteer.
- (3) There was a lengthy discussion concerning Ronnie Long fixing our sign. It was a very good job and he put in a lot of time and labor doing it, along with money out of his own pocket for the supplies. Balzarano made a motion to reimburse Long up to \$50 for the supplies he used to do the sign. The motion was seconded by Rechlin, and carried.
- (4) There was a discussion about the 22 barrels around the lake.

They replaced some of them with fiberglass or plastic and also discussed who was watering and taking care of them .

(5) There was a lengthy discussion about the gazebo, the size, position, measurements, color, railings, ADA ramp, and maneuvering of the wheelchairs up and down the ramp.

The Chairman said the only thing holding up the installation of the gazebo is the money. He was at a meeting and couldn't get any satisfaction as to when we will receive it. They want to give us the encumbered money as soon as we give them the bill. Well, it doesn't work that way. We can't order it from the company until we give them half of the money up front. When it is done they get the other half. The total bill will be \$24,000.

Balzarano explained that it's not that easy to get encumbered money up front. (Off the record discussion)

(10) There was a lengthy discussion about dredging, especially around the outfall pipe, and what to do with the wet remains. Also discussed was planting of new trees.

(11) Balzarano commented on the next storm coming in tomorrow. He said that the bulk of the rain is supposed to come in at 5 o'clock, and 5:40 is low tide. High tide is at midnight, so we are not worried. Unlike the last storm, which rained 2 inches per hour, this one will only be 2 or 3 inches of total rain, and the lake is doing what it's supposed to do.

He went on to say that we can't drain the lake. If we did we would get the sand in the pipe, ocean build-up behind it, and then this water comes in and you can't push it back out. They drained the lake in Belmar and let it fill up again, and they have no securing of that pipe and they are now in big trouble.

(12) The Chairman received several calls from people that had lost their benches, but still had their plaques. Since there's no room for

any more benches around the lake, he toyed with the idea of constructing a small wall for people to put up their plaques. It can't be too big because it will hamper someone's line of sight. It wouldn't cost much and it would be permanent. He said this is just a suggestion.

(13) There was a lengthy discussion about Mayor Schreck's and Mr. Modjeski's plan for a rain forest. For numerous reasons no one on our Commission was in favor of their undertaking. It seems that they are going ahead with the project without even including us, which is very disturbing indeed. The Borough mistakenly thought we stood behind it. However, there are many other things, such as parking, that would benefit the area much more. Furthermore, we're not that sure the project was approved by the DEP. The Chairman will check into that.

(14) How to go about moving Jerry West's stone was also discussed.

Balzarano made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 p.m. The motion was seconded by Mockridge, and carried.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Olga Blum, Secretary