

Minutes of Meeting
Lake Topanemus Park Commission

Wednesday, October 16, 2019
Borough Hall
51 West Main Street
Freehold, New Jersey 07728

- Call to Order / Statement of Compliance
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm with the Open Public Meetings Act.

- Roll Call
Commissioners:

	<u>Present:</u>	<u>Absent:</u>
Roger Kane	Jim Lau	Joseph Reilly
Christopher Kean	Ed Daley	
Bob Higley	Greg Jewell	
Joe Luongo		

Secretary: Lisa Tiedemann

Guest: Kirk Tibbett, Ed Temple

- Review of Minutes -
The minutes of Wednesday, September 18, 2019 were reviewed.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented by Commissioner Daley and seconded by Commissioner Higley. All in favor.

- Correspondence –
 - A check was received from Freehold Borough from Olde Freehold Day in the amount of \$2,500.00
 - Freehold Area Running Club sent in the insurance form for the race
 - \$100 was received for the rental of the pavilion
- Guest Speaker – Ed Temple of Freehold Borough gave a presentation of a park he had visited in Maryland, spoke about the different play areas, displays of art work and gave some ideas for the erosion.
- Treasurer's report –
 - Commissioner Lau reported an ending balance as of September 30, 2019 of \$5,809.39 and the usual fixed month bills for the porta john and secretarial services.

Motion to approve the treasurer's report and approval of bills as presented made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Luongo. All in favor.

- Old Business
 - Lake Restoration – Commissioner Jewell stated that he had not heard back from Ed Brock and would be reaching out the Barbara McMorro again. Commissioner Daley gave a presentation of photos he had taken at Holmdel Park with an explanation of the

plantings around the lake. He suggested at the pond they start in the dam area towards the boat ramp approximately 120' and up to the area where the new trail to the pedestrian bridge approximately 30' to start with plantings. Discussion of types of bushes and plants, volunteers to help with the planting and suggestions of who to contact with information about compatibility of the plants/bushes.

- Projects for 2019
 - Pedestrian Bridge – Kirk Tibbet spoke about installing pipes to change the course of the water run off on the trail from the boat launch to the bridge. He explained to the commission what they will need to extend out the trail once the bridge is in. Commissioner Kane offered to contact the borough for assistance with the back hoe and Kirk volunteered to meet them. Work project was set up for Saturday, October 19, 2019 at 9:00 concentrating on laying out the bridge area. The county has not contacted Kirk nor Freehold Borough about the pre-construction meeting they requested. He stated that once that meeting is held he will set up a meeting with the helical pile company.
 - Pathway to the bridge – On hold.
 - Parking lot – On hold.
 - Fishing pier– Commissioner Kane stated it will be a spring project.
 - Wet land bridge – Kirk Tibbett reported that they will need approximately 30 more tree disks to complete the wetland bridge. Commissioner Kane will contact the racetrack for stone dust to fill in between the disks.
 - Downed trees – It was reported that it is currently under control but will look during the work detail.
 - Car Insurance / Insurance – Commissioner Lau reported that Mike Sweetman from Freehold Borough contacted him to say approval was given for \$14,000.00 to replace the shed and tools due to the accident. A 12x24' shed was ordered and will be delivered in 4-5 weeks, Barg's ordered a replacement mower and it will be delivered when the shed is in place. All other tools will be purchased at Home Depot. He stated the Borough will pay the porta john company directly.
- New Business – Commissioner Kane reported that the Participatory Budget meeting will be held Monday, October 21st at 7:00 pm in Boro Hall. He requested that the commissioners attend to support the presentation of lights and fitness trail for Lake Topanemus.
- Commissioner's Reports
 - Commissioner Higley – No report at this time.
 - Commissioner Kean – Reported that the piles of brush near the Robertsville entrance have the chips removed that have been put on top before the Township will pick it up.
 - Commissioner Lau – No report at this time.
 - Commissioner Daley – Reported that the Freehold Area Running Club will be cleaning up the trails before their race. He stated that the large dead tree on the Pond Road entrance has been removed.
 - Commissioner Luongo – No report at this time.
 - Commissioner Jewell – Stated he refinished the sign at the Robertsville entrance and that his grandchildren painted two of the bat boxes and he hung them in the pine tree area.
- Volunteers Reports – Nothing at this time.

- Guest Reports – Nothing at this time.
- Public Comments – Nothing at this time.
- Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm. Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Lau, seconded by Commissioner Daley. All in favor.