

Minutes of Meeting
Lake Topanemus Park Commission

Wednesday, January 20, 2016
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:

Present:

Roger Kane
Christopher Kean
Bob Higley
Greg Jewell
Jim Lau
Ed Daley
Joseph Reilly

Absent:

Secretary: Lisa Tiedemann

- Review of Minutes -
The minutes of Wednesday, December 16, 2015 were reviewed.

A motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Commissioner Lau and seconded by Commissioner Higley. All in favor.

- Reorganization:
 - Nomination of Roger Kane for Chairman made by Commissioner Higley, seconded by Commissioner Kean. All in favor.
 - Nomination of Bob Higley as Vice Chairman made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Lau. All in favor.
 - Nomination of Jim Lau as Treasurer made by Commissioner Daley, seconded by Commissioner Reilly. All in favor.
 - Nomination of Lisa Tiedemann as Secretary made by Commissioner Lau, seconded by Commissioner Kean. All in favor.
- Correspondence –
 - Letter received from Ancient Order of the Hibernians Festival Committee requesting use of the Park on May 14, 2016 10-6 to celebrate Irish history and heritage.

A motion made by Commissioner Daley to allow the Ancient Order of the Hibernians Festival Committee use of the park on May 14, 2016 subject to their intentions of a donation similar to last year or one of substance, seconded by Commissioner Lau. All in favor.

- Email received from Len Maxwell requesting use of the park for a search and rescue drill with the Fire Department, First Aid Squad and Sheriff Department K-9 Unit on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 6-9pm.

A motion made by Commissioner Lau to give approval for the search and rescue drill on April 26, 2016, seconded by Commissioner Daley.

- Treasurer's report
Commissioner Lau gave a full year report of 2015 and reports an ending balance for December 31, 2015 of \$7,545.53.

Motion made to accept treasurer's report as presented and give authorization to cover fixed expenses for the next six months for Secretarial Services and Potty Pros in the amount of \$755.00 made by Commissioner Jewell, seconded by Commissioner Higley. All in favor.

- Old Business
 - Weed Maintenance – No report at this time.
 - Paddleboats – Commissioner Jewell reported that he contact Scott Dronne, Freehold Welding and made arrangements for him to come out at the end of the month to meet the commission at the park to see what needs to be done to repair the boats.
 - Fund Raising – Commissioner Kean proposed an idea of having a Food Truck event. Discussion of such an event, Mud Runs and 5k's. Kean will pursue the Food Truck idea and report back to the commission.
 - Band Shell – Commissioner Kane reported that AOH has carpenters and electricians who are eager to help with the building of the band shell. Commissioner Jewell noted that Kirk Tibbett was not able to make the meeting but will email the information of costs to the commission.
 - Parking – Discussion of moving the gate, cleaning up the front area for additional parking and maybe even adding parking barriers. Walk thru by commissions scheduled for Saturday, February 20, 2016 9:00am to see what needs to be done.
- New Business –
 - Commissioner Kane reports that approximately 200 Christmas trees have been delivered to the park to continue with the reef project. Discussion of ways to drop the trees if the water does not freeze, cinderblocks, securing the trees to the blocks.

Motion made by Commissioner Kean to authorize Commissioner Lau to purchase up to \$300.00 of cinder block as needed to be used for the Christmas Tree Reef Project, seconded by Commissioner Daley. All in favor.

- Commissioner's Reports
 - Commissioner Jewell – Reported on the bench he repaired by the beach, he contacted the Fish and Game Commission about winter stocking of trout and was told it is done the Monday or Tuesday before Thanksgiving.
 - Commissioner Reilly – Reports on the wonderful scents given off by the pine trees near the pavilion is refreshing.
 - Commissioner Daley – No report at this time.
 - Commissioner Lau – No report at this time.
 - Commissioner Kean – No report at this time.

- Commissioner Higley – Reported that he spent a couple of hours cleaning up the Kirby Lane area of blow downs and debris. He took the chainsaw apart and found that it had cracks in the housing. Discussion of repair or replace and Commission Reilly offered two that he had.
- Volunteers Reports - None at this time.
- Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m. Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Lau, seconded by Commissioner Kean.