

LAKE KENOSIA COMMISSION

Minutes of the May 5, 2009 Meeting

Commission members present: Leslie Ballard daSilva, Carol Elder, Patty McCarthy, Regina Ofiero, Renee Paley-Bain, K.T. Shartouni

Commission members absent: Steve Landau

Others present: Jack Kozuchowski

Chairperson Regina Ofiero called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. The minutes of the April meeting were approved as written. Regina then turned the meeting over to Jack for his update.

Jack reported that we only received one response to his R.F.Q. for the suction harvesting. That quote was from Bruce Lockhart (who has done it in the past) and was for \$7,200. We could also do the milfoil weevil analysis study, but only if we can get them to do it for \$2,300, since that is all that is left in our budget.

The recent oil spills at the Lake were discussed. Jack spoke to the deputy fire chief, and obtained the reports on both the March 19th incident and the April 22nd incident.

The buffer garden project is on hold, until officials decide whether or not this constitutes a land use change and a D.E.P. permit is required. If needed, the permit would take two months to get, so the project could start in August.

Leslie mentioned the property at the end of Boulevard Drive, which provides several families with access to the Lake, and wondered if the City could buy this as part of the open space grant.

Jack reported on the Section 319 grant. The current stage would be a proposal only. This could give us time to line up the matching piece. The Paul Bush Award has stiff competition. Jack met with Dora Pinou, an associate professor of biology at Western Connecticut State University, and explained the project to her. She is very interested, and agreed to work with us on the proposal.

Our next meeting is Monday, June 15th at 5:30 p.m. Please let Regina know whether or not you will be attending. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Elder
Secretary

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