

**MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING
AUGUST 3, 2006**

The Special Meeting of the Deal Lake Commission was held in the Village of Loch Arbour Municipal Building, 550 Main Street on August 3, 2006 and was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Len Rokaw. After the Flag salute, Lorraine Carafa, Commission Clerk, announced that the notice requirements of C.231, P.L.1975, have been met transmitting the notice of this Special Meeting to the Commission’s two official newspapers on July 17, 2006, posting the notice where required and filing a copy with the Commission Clerk. Also present were Peter Avakian, Engineer; Christine Krupka and Jen Bernstock from Princeton Hydro and Hunt Parry, Commission Attorney.

ROLL CALL:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Allenhurst	X	
Deal	X	
Interlaken		X
Loch Arbour	X	
Neptune	X	
Ocean	X	
Asbury Park	X	

Resolution #1: Approve Minutes of the June 15, 2006 Regular Meeting

UPON MOTION of Loch Arbour, seconded by Deal, carried, that the following resolution be adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 15, 2006 be and the same are hereby approved as presented.

Recorded Vote:

Ayes: Allenhurst, Deal, Loch Arbour, Neptune, Ocean, Asbury Park

Nays: None

Absent: Interlaken

Resolution #2: Approve Treasurer’s Report and Authorize Payment of Bills

UPON MOTION of Ocean, seconded by Allenhurst, carried, that the following Treasurer’s Report be and the same is hereby approved as presented and the payment of bills as listed be and the same is hereby authorized:

CHECKING	\$21,151.40
NJ CASH MANAGEMENT	44,926.82
TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND	\$66,078.22

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OLD BUSINESS (continued)

classified as “high priority” for 2007. There was a brief discussion of the statutory requirements of the Local Budget Law and its applicability to this situation. By consensus, the Commissioners agreed to hold this project until 2007.

2. **Fish Stocking** – was completed on July 20, 2006 at two locations: Sunset Avenue, Asbury Park and Wickapecko at Bimble, Ocean Township.

3. **Proposed Interlaken Subdivision** – Messrs. Avakian and Lynn Parry reported that the proposed subdivision off Bridlemere near the Interlaken Park has been referred to the Superior Court, since the original 1959 Resolution granting a prior approval includes a condition that there be no further subdivision request considered for that same property. Princeton Hydro has submitted a report to the developer delineating wetlands within the property but has not received a response. Mr. Parry will continue to keep the Commission updated on this proposal.

4. **Flume** – Mr. Avakian reported that the connection has been made to the surge chamber, but he is concerned with the capstone installation. Mr. Avakian has discussed the gatehouse rehabilitation with the DEP and the contractor and the project should be addressed once the major Flume construction has been completed. There was a short discussion about the distance between the rails of the new trash rack, with 12” proposed where the Commissioners would like to see no more than 6”. There has been no further consideration of the “overflow” pipe.

5. **Echo Heads** – Mr. Zazzarino asked if existing facilities could be required to retrofit their inlets with the new echo heads that minimize floatables from streets and roads entering into the Lake. He was advised that the Commission could request compliance with the newer, more stringent rules, but only new projects could be required to install the new inlet covers.

6. **Resolution #3** – UPON MOTION of Ocean, seconded by Loch Arbour, carried, that the Deal Lake Commission meeting scheduled for August 17 be and the same is hereby canceled, and that the Commission Clerk be directed to comply with the notice requirements of C.231, P.L. 1975.

Recorded Vote:

Ayes: Allenhurst, Deal, Interlaken, Loch Arbour, Neptune, Ocean, Asbury Park

Nays: None

The Commission Chair advised that immediately following this meeting, the RSWMP Committee Meeting will take place and the Commission and members of the public will be updated on the progress of the RSWMP by Ms. Krupka and Bernstock.

The Commission Attorney suggested that the meeting be opened to the public for comments at this time. UPON MOTION of Interlaken, seconded by Ocean, carried, that the meeting be opened to the public for comments.

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PUBLIC HEARING (continued)

Michael Gast, 609 North Edgemere, reported that there is a significant build-up of debris and silt from the Harvey Brook area and the lake near his home is very shallow. He further suggested that dredging should be undertaken in that area. He also stated that the area mounds are significant problems in the watershed area.

Mr. Avakian advised that 18 years ago, he and Dr. Souza recommended the construction of a sediment basin at that location but permission was denied by the DEP. At that time, the estimated cost of dredging the area was in excess of \$650,000, far in excess of the Commission's ability to fund.

Sol Harrah, 42 Ballard Drive, suggested that weed harvesting should be considered an emergency so the project could be undertaken this year. The Clerk responded that there are very specific definitions of what constitutes an emergency under the Local Budget Law, and weed harvesting does not meet that definition.

Mr. Harrah also asked if the area between Wickapecko and Sunset Landing had been dredged recently; Mr. Avakian responded it had not.

Chairman Rokaw stated that siltation is a problem through the lake.

Mr. Gast asked if the area legislators had been approached to fund these various projects; Mr. Everson stated that the Commission received money before for projects, but that the DEP is urging that the focus be directed towards completing the RSWMP and identifying and prioritizing projects for future funding through the Plan. Mr. Everson and Mr. Zazzarino urged the public present to urge their municipalities to adopt the RSWMP when it is completed so that the Commission could apply for the funding to complete these necessary improvements to the Lake.

Dave Buhler, 57 Ballard Drive, asked if the flume project was related to the low lake level. He was advised that it does not. He further suggested that lowering the lake is contributing to the level problems that have been experienced recently.

Lois Maloney, 610 Windermere, thanked Jon Hansen of the Allenhurst Fire Department for his help in removing that section of her dock that had been stuck near the center of the lake.

Marty Martino, 1600 Bryan, asked if the extension of the Flume was a flood control project; he was advised that it has nothing to do with flood control.

Dave Wiener questioned the weed harvesting project.

There being no further comments, and UPON MOTION of Ocean, seconded by Interlaken, carried, to close the public hearing. There being no further business, and UPON MOTION of Loch Arbour, seconded by Deal, carried, that the Special Meeting of the Deal Lake

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PUBLIC HEARING (continued)

Commission be finally adjourned at 8:10 PM and the RSWMP Committee Meeting be called to order.

Regional Stormwater Management Plan/QAPP Update – Christine Krupka, Princeton Hydro, discussed the RSWMP and advised that the Commission has received a one-year extension, to April 2007, to submit the completed plan to the DEP. She further advised that the

Characterization Report is in the final stages of completion, and will be distributed within the next two weeks to the Commission's partners. In September, 2006, another meeting will be held with the DEP Technical Review Committee to discuss the Characterization report conclusions. The next Tasks to be completed include the development of stormwater management standards and performance measures and preparation of the draft RSWMP for review by the Committee members and the DEP.

Ms. Krupka and Bernstock discussed details of selected testing results and the possible causes of elevated levels of chemicals, bacteria and biological agents in the samples taken at various locations in the watershed. There was some additional discussion about testing results and the relationship between possible causes and effects.

At the conclusion of their remarks, the Chairman and members of the Commission thanked Ms. Krupka and Bernstock for their report.

There being no further comments, and UPON MOTION of Ocean, seconded by Interlaken, carried, that the meeting be finally adjourned at 10:15 PM.

LORRAINE CARAFA, R.M.C.
Commission Clerk