

**DEAL LAKE COMMISSION  
MINUTES –REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 15, 2007**

The Regular Meeting of the Deal Lake Commission was held in the Village of Loch Arbour Municipal Building, 550 Main Street, and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman John Everson. After the Flag salute, the Commission Clerk announced that the notice requirements of C.231, P.L. 1975, have been met by transmitting the notice of this Regular Meeting to the Commission’s official newspapers on January 22, 2007, posting the notice where required and filing a copy of the notice with the Commission Clerk.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**Resolution #1 – Approve Minutes (Reorganization Meeting)**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED**, That the Minutes of the rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Deal Lake Commission held February 13, 2007 be and the same are hereby approved as presented.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

Allenhurst-absent; Asbury Park-no vote; Deal-aye; Interlaken-absent; Loch Arbour-aye; Neptune-absent; Ocean-aye.

**RESOLUTION #2 - APPROVE TREASURER’S REPORT AND PAY BILLS**

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

**BALANCE ON HAND – PREVIOUS:**

Bank of America Checking Account .....	<b>\$15,011.68</b>
NJ Cash Management Fund .....	<b>46,298.43</b>
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>\$61,310.11</b>

**RECEIPTS**

Interest from Bank of America (February) .....	27.25
Interest from Cash Management Fund (January).....	196.88
State of NJ, DEP, Grant Payment .....	3,964.33

**TOTAL RECEIPTS .....** **4,188.46**

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**TREASURER’S REPORT** (continued)

**BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT – March 15, 2007**

Village of Loch Arbour (March).....	541.67
The Coaster .....	62.46
Hundley & Parry, PC .....	600.00
Princeton Hydro, LLC .....	3,964.33

**TOTAL BILLS AND OTHER DISBURSEMENTS .....**\$6,168.13

**BALANCES AFTER MARCH DISBURSEMENTS**

<b>CHECKING .....</b>	<b>\$13,834.80</b>
<b>NJ CASH MANAGEMENT .....</b>	<b>46,495.31</b>

**TOTAL BALANCE ON HAND .....**\$60,330.11

**RECORDED VOTE:**

Allenhurst-absent; Asbury Park-no vote; Deal-aye; Interlaken-absent; Loch Arbour-aye; Neptune-absent; Ocean-aye.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **Resolution #3:** The Commissioners discussed the proposal for the emergency work necessary to rehabilitate the Gatehouse actuators (sluice gates) that were found to be inoperable when an attempt was made to open the gates two weeks ago. The Neptune representative arrived during this discussion at 7:10 PM. UPON MOTION of Deal, seconded by Ocean carried, that the following resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, an emergent situation has developed that requires that the Deal Lake Flume sluice gates that are not functioning properly to be repaired as quickly as possible to avoid possible flooding in the watershed area.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Deal Lake Commission that Precise Construction, Inc. be and they are hereby authorized to perform Option #3 as shown on the emergency proposal attached to page \_\_ of these Minutes, repairs to the actuator assembly, including the purchase and installation of new parts, if necessary, at the cost not to exceed \$12,000.00 authorized from the Commission’s reserve funds to pay for the necessary repairs to the sluice gates pursuant to the recommendation of the Commission’s Engineer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission’s Engineer be and he is hereby directed to contact Precise Construction, Inc. to coordinate the necessary repairs.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

Allenhurst-absent; Asbury Park-no vote; Deal-aye; Interlaken-absent; Loch Arbour-aye; Neptune-aye; Ocean-aye.

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**OLD BUSINESS** (continued)

After further discussion, and UPON MOTION of Ocean, seconded by Loch Arbour, carried, that the Commission's Engineer be and he is hereby authorized to prepare and distribute a RFP to electrify the sluice gates.

**RECORDED VOTE:**

Allenhurst-absent; Asbury Park-no vote; Deal-aye; Interlaken-absent; Loch Arbour-aye; Neptune-aye; Ocean-aye.

The Interlaken representative arrived at 7:25 PM.

**2. RSWMP –**

- a) No-Cost Extension request through October 31, 2007 granted by DEP;
- b) The Commissioners discussed the DEP's correspondence requesting clearer identification of objectives and solutions, and the need to identify and prioritize the various projects to be included in the next required submission to the DEP. Dr. Souza suggested a Special Meeting of the Commission be held, tentatively scheduled for April 2, 2007 at 4:00 PM, to discuss the projects. Dr. Souza indicated that since the DEP has not announced the next round of 319 funding, implementation funding may be available this year if the report is completed and submitted quickly.

The Commissioners also discussed the DEP's rules that state that funds cannot be used to pay for "required" elements of the RSWMP.

3. Monmouth Road Bridge reconstruction (County project) – Mr. Zazzarino asked if there was any further information on the County project to rehabilitate the bridge on Monmouth Road. There was no updated information available. There was some further discussion of the need to identify areas for detention basins to be built to slow the runoff coming from the western area of the watershed.

4. Petsmart – Mr. Avakian advised that additional site work is not anticipated until the building is completed, and there have not been any further erosion control problems. Mr. Avakian and his staff will further evaluate the area east of the site towards Route 35. Mr. Everson stated that there is water accumulated again in the loading dock area. Mr. Avakian will advise the contractor to have the site dewatered again.

5. Geese Peace – Volunteers are needed to attend training on population stabilization (seminars will be given on March 22 in Essex County and March 23 in Belmar); additional information is available at [GeeseResources.org](http://GeeseResources.org). Volunteers are also needed to conduct egg oiling on public and private properties in the area. Mr. Parry advised that the Interlaken Canada Geese Control Committee has several volunteers who have taken the training and found the seminar to be very educational. Additional volunteers and municipal coordinators are needed to conduct the egg oiling in the next few weeks. Mr. Everson advised that he will e-mail a notification on this topic.

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### **OLD BUSINESS** (continued)

6. Inmate Clean-up is scheduled for the week of April 30. Mr. Meyer is the coordinator, and he has identified several areas to be cleaned, including Hollow Brook, behind the Bowling alley, the Shop-Rite area, behind Asbury Park H.S. and the east end of the lake. Mr. Meyer also asked the Commissioners to suggest other areas that require attention.
7. Dr. Souza reminded the Commissioners to submit their in-kind hours for the grant reporting requirements. The Clerk will send out requests to member municipalities to submit their leaf pick-up documentation from the fall to be submitted.
8. Low-Phosphorous Fertilizer – Mr. Zazzarino stated that by the time he contacted area vendors last fall, materials had already been ordered for the spring.
9. Grant Funds – Mr. Zazzarino asked what sources of grant funds are available to the Commission for the repair to the gatehouse. Dr. Souza responded that the DEP and the Environmental Infrastructure Trust (low-cost loans) are the primary sources of funds.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Firemen's Pond – Mr. Everson asked for and was authorized to discuss the possible dredging of Firemen's Pond with Ocean Township officials. Dr. Souza identified a vendor with a small self-contained dredge that would work well in that section of the Lake, and will supply further contact information.
2. Other – The Clerk reported that the Commission had received a copy of correspondence from Assemblyman Sean Kean to DEP Commissioner Jackson asking for support for the Lake weed harvesting needs. Mr. Everson thanked Mr. Zazzarino for initiating the contact with the Assemblyman on this matter.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

UPON MOTION of Interlaken, seconded by Loch Arbour, carried, that the meeting be opened for public comments.

Robert Beauchamp, Ballard Drive, asked if the lake was to be lowered in anticipation of the upcoming storm "to prevent flooding". He was advised that the lake had been evaluated earlier today, and found to be low enough to handle the predicted rainfall. Mr. Everson further advised Mr. Beauchamp that one of the problems with opening the Flume during a nor'easter is that more water may enter the lake than will flow out.

Brian Mullen, Bimble Blvd., asked when the Hollow Brook area will be lowered for clean-up. The Commission members discussed and authorized Dr. Souza to submit a lake lowering permit for the section.

Mr. Mullen further discussed the possible installation of a notched weir at Wickapecko Road to slow the water from the western end of the watershed, and Mr. Avakian discussed the new drainage inlet that Ocean Township is planning to construct at Bimble Blvd. and Asbury Avenue, and that desnagging the area could possibly be accomplished at the same time.

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There being no further business, and UPON MOTION of Loch Arbour, seconded by Asbury Park, carried, that the meeting be finally adjourned at 8:30 PM.

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LORRAINE CARAFA, R.M.C.  
Commission Clerk