Minutes of Meeting
Lake Topanemus Park Commission

Wednesday, October 16, 2024
Borough Hall
30 Mechanic Street
Freehold, New Jersey 07728

- Call to Order / Statement of Compliance Meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm with the Open Public Meetings Act.

- Roll Call
  Commissioners

Present:	Absent:
Ed Daley	Roger Kane
Chris Kean	Mike Phillips
Joe Luongo	
Kirk Tibbett	
Bob Higley	
Greg Jewell	

  Secretary: Lisa Tiedemann
  Guests: Bill Degnan, Ed Knucken, Mike DiBenedetto, Tom Cook

- Review of minutes from September 18, 2024.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented made by Commissioner Luongo, seconded by Commissioner Tibbett. All in favor.

- Correspondence - No report at this time.

- Treasurer's report –
  - Commissioner Luongo reported a balance as of October 16, 2024 of $8,850.29. Approval is requested for secretarial services $50.00.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report as reported and approval of the payment of secretarial services made by Commissioner Daley and seconded by Commissioner Kean. All in favor.

- Old Business
  - Lake Restoration – No report at this time. Guest Ed Knucken asked questions about the dead trees hanging over the pond as well as ones that have fallen into the pond. Discussion of tree removal, continuation of lake bank restoration and volunteer opportunities.
  - Projects for 2024
    - September 28th Work Project - removal of the pier and boats removed and stored for the winter.
    - Discussion of boardwalk and purchasing lumber.

- Future scheduled work dates:
  - October 26, 2024 – Planting of seedlings behind shed
  - November 23, 2024 – Leaf cleanup for the FARC Born to Run Race

- New Business – No reports at this time.

- Commissioners Reports
  - Commissioner Jewell – No report at this time.
  - Commissioner Luongo – No report at this time.
  - Commissioner Daley – No report at this time.
  - Commissioner Tibbett – No report at this time.
  - Commissioner Kean – Questioned where the stone dust that had been dropped off would be used.
  - Commissioner Highley – Spoke about the love of the pond he and each of the commissions have, the numerous hours of time they spend working at improving the park and their dedication to the Lake Topanemus Commission.

- Volunteers Reports
  - Bill Degman shared a picture he took at the park prior to coming to the meeting of the full moon, reported that the park looks good.
  - Tom Cook - No report at this time.
  - Mike DiBenedetto - No report at this time.

- Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm
  Motion to adjourn meeting made by Commissioner Tibbett, seconded by Commissioner Daley. All in favor.