

**TOWN OF HAMMONTON**  
**Hammonton Lake Water Quality Advisory Committee**  
**Minutes**

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Chairman Reitmeyer opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members Present:**

Robert Reitmeyer, Chairman  
John Keenan, Vice Chair  
Paul Galletta  
Otto Hernandez  
John Scianni  
John Fortis  
Robert Roesch

**Members Absent:**

Dr. Tait Chirenji  
Steve Mortellite  
Bill Parkhurst

**Others Present:**

Michael Pullia, Town of Hammonton Councilman

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2016 meeting, made by O. Hernandez, seconded by John Scianni. All In favor. Motion Approved. R. Reitmeyer abstained.

**Correspondence:**

**Committee Reports:**

**Town Council:** M. Pullia reported that ARH is working to obtain the NJDEP permits for lowering the water level in the lake this winter.

**Parks & Recreation Commission:** O. Hernandez reported that the NJ Pinelands Commission has approved the construction of the Municipal Dog Park. Funding for the dog park is now being sought.

**Environmental Commission:** R. Reitmeyer reported that the Commission is now focusing on having a presence at Green Day 2016, considering remaining work plan items to complete and potential purchases.

**G.E.H.R.C.:** J. Keenan reported that the next meeting will be held on 8/17/16.

## **Old Business:**

**1. Hammonton Lake Management Items:** The Committee offered to revise the existing Lake Management Plan and requested that Councilman Pullia seek the necessary approvals for this. Additionally, the bladderwort spraying was assessed. Improvement for much of the lake has been observed, but some is still present near the Canoe Club and beach. The Committee will request additional spraying. Lake lowering is scheduled for the winter of 2016-2017. It was also mentioned that increased lake coverage with lily pads has been observed and should continue to be monitored.

**2. Pet Stations:** The Committee is seeking to install up to 10 new stations. Funding will need to be found for this.

**3. NJ Future:** J. Keenan reported that a partner meeting was held to discuss completed work items and future steps. Funding for project development seems to be available and may also be available for project implementation.

## **New Business:**

**1. 2016 Committee Goals:** The Committee discussed and outlined as goals for the remainder of 2016 the following: Continue involvement with NJ Future, Seek funding for Pet Stations, seek approval to update the Hammonton Lake management Plan and provide additional herbicide application for bladderwort.

**Other New Business:** None

## **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

*Robert Reitmeyer*

HLWQAC, Town of Hammonton