

**Lake Carmel Park District Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes August 10, 2015 - 7:00 pm
Town of Kent Town Hall**

ROLL CALL

Present:

Kathy Wiede
Cathy Vargas
Pat Madigan
Cecile Walsh
Diane Kerr

Absent:

Wanda Schweitzer
Dennis Illuminate
William Morris

Motion to approve minutes of July 13, 2015 meeting: Approved

New Business:

1. Budget

The budget for 2015 needs to be reviewed. This is the first year we have a separate budget from the Community Center.

2. Federation of Lakes

We discussed the need to join CSLAP. The cost for this is \$400.00. Resident Bob Ulich is interested in attending this. He said the last survey done regarding the lake was 1990-91. He will obtain more information and report back to the committee. He also indicated that he spoke with Anne Bittner from the Putnam County Health Department and she indicated the lake is at the top of their list to be closed for good. Supervisor Fleming said this is not true. There is a waiting list for CSLAP but there is a possibility we could get someone in for 2016.

Other suggestions:

- Have Mr. Barber do a presentation at Town Hall
- Get residents involved
- Use dogs to get rid of geese
- Aerator under docks

3. Kent Community Day - September 12, 2015

The Committee will set up a table at the event and provide information on the blue/green algae. Sign-up sheets for will be available and a short survey for Lake Carmel residents to answer regarding the lake.

4. Lifeguard compensation/ retention

A survey will be made regarding the salaries of life guards at other lakes. Also a suggestion was made to have our own in house training of the lifeguards like they do at Camp Kiwi. We will check to see if we could get the head lifeguard certified to teach. It was also suggested to give the lifeguards some incentive to return each year perhaps paying for their recertification for lifeguards that have been with Lake Carmel for 2 years.

5. East of Hudson Representative

Our meeting with Bruce Barber was discussed.

6. Status of Engineering findings

After, once again discussing the concern of the Lake Carmel Committee regarding the condition of both the spillway at Beach 3 and the gate house with the Town Board and their agreement to have an engineering firm review the current condition, at this point there is no report.

7. Carp

Carp should be replaced every 5 years. We are two years past this. Supervisor needs to find out the dollar amount for replenishing carp. However, the Lake Carmel Supervisor reports that there are no weeds in lake body and replacement carp may not be necessary.

8. Smoking Ban

The Town Board has been asked to schedule a Public Hearing.

9. Beach Pass Fees

These fees need to be revised. Fee is now \$85 for lost passes. First loss should be free. Any loss after that should be \$15. Paul said he will pursue a Town Board resolution.

Updates

1. Boat Auction

This year had to be canceled as no information was sent out to the public and it didn't get mentioned at the TB meeting until August. Next year should be in the spring as originally suggested by the LC Committee last April. Clerk needs to publicize this together with pictures and list of the boats available.

2. Code Enforcement

Mr. Looney issued violations to the homeowner on Lake Shore to clean up his property and has been very supportive in responding to complaints of possible violations in Lake Carmel.

3. Summer Festival Shirts

They will be donated to a worthy organization and the Committee will pay for the cost this year. (The Summer Festival was cancelled due to the blue/green alga that resulted in beach closings.)

Next meeting:

September 14, 2015

Motion to adjourn