

LAKE KENOSIA COMMISSION

Minutes of the October 5, 2010 Meeting

Commission members present: Leslie Ballard daSilva, Carol Elder, Patty McCarthy, Regina Ofiero, K.T. Shartouni

Commission members absent: Renee Paley-Bain, Steve Landau

Others present: Jack Kozuchowski

After reviewing the buffer garden with Camilla, Chairperson Regina Ofiero called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. at the Kenosia Town Park. The minutes of the August meeting were approved as written.

Regina turned the meeting over to Jack for his update. Jack reported that since the change of use permit has now been approved, Reliable was scheduled to start work on the buffer garden expansion on October 15, and the work should take four to six weeks. We noted that the fence on the current sections needs to be replaced, but will wait until the construction is completed to do so. Camilla will come another day with her crew to weed the current sections. There are some invasive weeds growing that will take over if not weeded now. The earliest section of the garden is basically self sufficient and doing well, but the second section still needs protection and maybe a few new plants.

The WestConn study is complete, as data from four storms was collected and sent for analysis. Jack will do a presentation on what we have learned at a later date. Jack has also learned more about the Hazard Mitigation Grant available from the Corps of Engineers. It is not just for flooding, but for other sorts of disasters, as well. A public meeting was held to kick off the study of how to use the grant money, but Jack was the only one who attended. The City will prioritize the potential natural disasters and decide how to proceed. The grant requires a 25% match.

There will be no additional meeting in October, as originally scheduled. The November meeting will be at our originally scheduled date, Monday, November 22nd. Please let Regina know whether or not you will be attending. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Elder
Secretary

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