

LAKE KENOSIA COMMISSION

Minutes of the April 28, 2011 Meeting

Commission members present: Carol Elder, Steve Landau, Patty McCarthy, Regina Ofiero

Commission members absent: Leslie Ballard daSilva, Renee Paley-Bain, K.T. Shartouni

Others present: Jack Kozuchowski, Dave Bonan (who is working on a documentary about the Still River and who is a member of the Still River Alliance)

Chairperson Regina Ofiero called the meeting to order at 5:42 p.m. The minutes of the March meeting were approved as written.

Jack reported that he is still working on the web site situation. We are now paying \$9.00/month to a web host, but we need the source program so we can convert it to something we can update ourselves, since Brian is no longer in the area. Melissa, who does the City web site, could add more to our City web site, but not all the bells and whistles that we want.

Jack suggested we may want to have the chair of the Still River Alliance come to one of our meetings, so we can talk about mutual promotional ideas.

During the recent heavy rains, a portion of the buffer garden suffered major damage. Keith has put together a list of current needs for the garden, and Reliable should the work as part of a change order.

Promotional meetings with other clubs are scheduled: Rotary on Wednesday and the Garden Club in June. Adopt a plot could be a good PR project to raise funds for garden maintenance. The garden club grant proposal to Meserve was ready to go when Jack discovered the Meserve dates had changed, and the deadline is now October, rather than April, so that project is on hold.

Jack has found working on the Section 319 grant very frustrating. DEP now says it won't fund design work, only the construction itself. However, Jack has a new corporate sponsor in mind, but the grant would be due by this Friday, April 29th. We would also need a 501c(3) organization to be the sponsor (maybe the Land Trust again).

Jack has two quotes for the suction dredging, and again, A&E was the low quote at \$4,800. So Jack will get the purchase order in as soon as possible. We have

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\$9,600 remaining in our budget for the balance of this fiscal year. Jack's purchase order could be extended, since the current funds have all been used. We could also have Camilla do some weeding and maintenance. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to extend Jack's purchase order by \$2,000.

Dave asked for our participation in the two upcoming Still River clean-up days on May 7th and May 14th.

June 4th is "Walk for Health" Day, and there are hikes at various Danbury locations. We are encouraged to participate.

The next meeting will on Monday, May23, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. Please let Regina know whether or not you will be attending. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Elder
Secretary