



MEETING Minutes

DATE: Monday, May 16, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER at 6:45

- 2. ROLL CALL:** EC members present: Mark Smiga, Faith Teitelbaum, Carol Mellaci, Richard Lee, Dick Honymar, Jennifer Smiga, Ceil Mancini
EC members absent: Rich Garlipp
Others present: Michele Bernich; Long Branch Green Committee: Buzz Baldanza, Chris Benosky, Ray Syms, David Roach, Eddie Thomas, Jerri Lynch, Suzan Cole

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES: Carol Mellaci motioned to approve the April minutes, Faith Teitelbaum seconded. Unanimous approval.

3. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A resident is concerned about Tak Lake. He wants to donate towards a fountain. Faith will contact him. Ceil will research aerators.
- Eddie will contact the person who asked to be part of the LBEC Facebook page.
- Long Branch Green Committee talked about their desire to make a park on city owned property off Atlantic Ave. Chris will report on phases of the park project. Ray Syms brought up some problems with the racetrack.

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

- Public Outreach Events/Upcoming activities
 - LBEC will not participate in OceanFest this year due to personal conflicts with the schedule.
 - Lake Tak clean-up for the fall to be developed.
 - 2010 Annual Report was approved. Carol Mellaci motioned to approve the report and Faith Teitelbaum seconded. Unanimous approval. Faith will ask ANJEC how to submit it. Mark will contact the City to get on a workshop agenda for the annual report presentation.

5. REPORT OF COMMISSION'S PLANNING BOARD MEMBER – ERI will be presented to the Planning Board May 17.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- **Environmental/Natural Resource Inventory (ERI)** – A vote was taken to accept the ERI for submission to the Planning Board. Carol Mellaci motioned to vote on the ERI acceptance, Dick Honymar seconded. Ceil and Jennifer abstained. 5 voted for approval therefore the motion was approved. A discussion followed on how we can become keepers and gatherers of ideas for this to remain a living

document. People will bring in ideas at the next meeting for what we want to look at next.

- Discussed participation in/with Whale Pond Brook Watershed Association: LBEC supports it on principle but we need more explicit mission and goal statements. Carol will help Faith come up with these. The Urban Coast Institute will be asked to give a presentation at the next meeting about their feasibility study. We will also see if UCI would sponsor a meeting with all the stakeholders

7. NEW BUSINESS

- Jackson Woods – we will discuss at next meeting
- Revisit by-laws – Faith will send out by-laws and we will discuss at next meeting
- Member terms: Richard Lee and Ceil Mancini are interested in being re-appointed.

8. OTHER:

Future activity scheduled- May 21 Ross Island

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: Vincent Lepore commented on the following:

- Offered support of UCI presentation and the Atlantic Ave park
- Suggested further attention be given to:
 - alternative energy sources (e.g. LB BofE)
 - outflow pipes(ocean/lake)
 - beach access

10. ADJOURNMENT: Rich Lee motioned to adjourn and Carol Mellaci seconded. Adjourned at 9:10PM.

By the order of: Mark Smiga, Chairperson

NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 20, 2011 @ 6:30 PM