

Borough of Hightstown Environmental Commission

Environmental Commission (EC) Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: 25 April 2017 / 7:00 PM

Meeting Location: Masonic Lodge

Attendees: Todd Frantz
Gary Grubb
Barbara Jones
Yan Troizier
Connor Montferrat (Council
Liaison)
David Zaiser (Acting Chair and STO)
Larry Quattrone (Mayor)

Absent: Joshua Jackson (Planning Board Liaison)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Acting Chair, David Zaiser.

Mr. Zaiser announced that the meeting is in conformance with the Open Meetings Act having its date, time and location advertised in the Borough's newspapers of record.

Discussion Summary:

- 1.0 Agenda Approval.** The proposed agenda was moved by Yan Troizier, seconded by Gary Grubb and passed unanimously.
- 2.0 Approval of Minutes.** Approval for minutes from the meeting of 28 March 2017 were moved by Todd Frantz, seconded by Barbara Jones and unanimously approved.
- 3.0 Shade Tree Matters**
 - 3.1 18 Taylor Ave. Maple needs to be removed because of power lines.
 - 3.2 5-Year Community Forestry Management Plan was revised and resubmitted for the Mayor's signature.
 - 3.3 Arbor Day Celebration and Stream Cleanup will be April 29th. Possible location for tree planting will be Association Park.
 - 3.4 Tree removal needed in front of pavilion in Association Park.
- 4.0 Parks and Recreation Liaison**
 - 4.1 \$150 was approved to purchase fertilizer for Association, Dawes and Memorial Parks.
 - 4.2 Considering new water fountain for Association Park.
 - 4.3 Dawes Park Basketball Courts – looking into new pavement, more information to come.
- 5.0 Sustainable New Jersey**
 - 5.1 Sustainable Jersey (SJ). Connor uploaded the initial documents online. 45 points are needed to maintain bronze status. Connor is working to gather the information and write-ups needed to earn the remaining points for the following activities:

- 5.1.1 Companion Animal Pledge Resolution
- 5.1.2 Mill Project
- 5.1.3 District may be forming a green team
- 5.1.4 Environmental Commission yearly plan
- 5.1.5 Wildlife Pledge
- 5.1.6 Tree Inventory

The next meeting will be May 23rd, at 7:00 PM at the Masonic Lodge.

Respectfully submitted:

Joanna Jackson