

Borough of Hightstown Environmental Commission

Environmental Commission Meeting

Meeting Date/Time: December 4, 2012 / 7:30 PM

Meeting Location: Meeting Room
First Aid Squad Building

Attendees: Barbara Jones (Chair)
Yan Troizier (Vice-Chair)

David Zaiser (STO)
Gail Doran (Council Liaison)
Donna LePrevost
Keith LePrevost
Terry Parliaros

High School Liason AAkanksha Malesha

Public Steve Misiura, (Planning Board)

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM by Chair, Barbara Jones.

The Chair announced that the meeting conformed to the Open Meetings Act having its date, time and location advertised in the Borough newspapers of record.

Discussion Summary:

1.0 Agenda Approval

- 1.1 A motion to approve the agenda was moved by Keith and
Seconded by David. The motion was approved.

2.0 Approval of Minutes for meeting of the October, 2012.

- 2.1 A motion to approve the minutes of the October meeting was
moved by David and seconded by Yan.

3.0 Shade Tree Report

- 3.1 Update- Summit Street. There is not money left in the
budget for the 2 missing trees. The Borough will plant the
trees as part of the funding on the next project.
- 3.2 152 Second Avenue- tree removed and will be replaced. 2
large trees were removed on Parkway and will be replaced at
some point.

4.0 Parks and Recreation

- 4.1 Keith discussed the "Stage" and his concerns with the
structure. He e-mailed George Chin with his concerns.

5.0 H.S. Liaison

- 5.1 AAkanksha discussed her project- "Green Businesses" which
will focus on the downtown core. A brochure will be

developed (multi lingual) Barbara recommended levels of sustainability- composting, eliminating plastic bags, etc. It was recommended AAkanksha work with Ryan from downtown Hightstown to get the list of business owners. There was a presentation at Meadow Lakes where rain barrels were a big hit.

6.0 Land Use Pledge

6.1 The land use pledge made it through Council with minor revisions.

7.0 Sustainable Jersey

7.1 Everything has been submitted to Sustainable Jersey for the January 6th deadline.

8.0 Water Treatment Plant

8.1 The condition of the site was discussed.

9.0 Timber Run

9.1 No progress has been made in replacing the trash boom.

10.0 Spring clean up and Shredder Day

10.1 Keith will talk to Eva at 1st Constitution and get a contact for the Shredding company.

11.0 Other business

11.1 Grant Update. Keith updated the commission on the status of the grant work being done at the Housing Authority.

11.2 Council Update. Gail noted that Tamara Lee has been re appointed as the town planner as well as Fred Raffetto.

11.3 Appointments. The appointments for the commission are all up in the air. Barbara is getting little or no help from the Borough straightening things out. All current members are willing to continue serving, so they will.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:58PM.

The next meeting will be January 8, at 7:30 PM at the First Aid Squad Meeting Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

Allen Keith LePrevost

December, 2012