

Borough of Hightstown Environmental Commission

Environmental Commission Meeting

March 24, 2015

Masonic Lodge

Attendees: Barbara Jones, David Zaiser (STO), Gary Grubb, Yan Troizier (secretary)
Harold Mulleavey, Steve Misiura – Council member

Public: None

The meeting was called to order at 7.05 pm by the 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.

1.0 Agenda approval -

David motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Harold.

2.0 Approval of minutes -

Steve Misiura corrected the minutes from the February 3 , 2015 meeting. He is not on the Planning Board, but a council member. Minutes will be adjusted and re-submitted.

3.0 Street Shade Tree matters

3.1 301 Lincoln – Resident does not want the street tree on the side of her property removed.

She is also contesting the installation of a new concrete sidewalk on her property.

3.2 David confirmed that the Borough secured all CEUs to be certified for the Community Forestry Management Plan for 2014.

4.0 Parks and Recreation

4.1 Gary mentioned a potential grant application with RISE to receive \$ 20 K towards improvements at the Community Garden. Unfortunately, the deadline was not met.

5.0 Environmental Fair

Scheduled for April 19 at Saint Anthony's church - 9 to 1 pm.

Harold volunteered to set up a booth representing the Environmental Commission.

6.0 Arbor Day event on April 18 -

- No Spring cleanup scheduled this Spring – Will organize a cleanup in the early Fall.
- Planting of an Ivory Silk Lilac tree will take place at 12 at the parking lot next to the Tavern on the Lake.
- The educational tree workshop will start at 1 pm until 3 pm at the First Aid Squad.

7.0 Fundraisers and Grants

- Barbara asked that the commissioners come up with a list of projects that could be completed with grant money. It will help in prioritizing the application process for specific grants in the future.

Meeting was adjourned at 8.10 pm

The next meeting will be April 28 at 7.00 pm – Masonic Lodge

Respectfully submitted,

Yan Troizier

March 26, 2015

