

AGENDA FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE HIGHTSTOWN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Monday March 26th, 2018, 7:00 P.M.
Housing Authority Community Building

1. **Approval of Agenda**
2. **Open Public Meeting Act Statement:** In compliance with Chapter 213 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way of the Annual Notice published in the Trenton Times and Princeton Packet by the Borough Clerk and posted on the Borough Website.
3. **Attendance:**
4. **Approval of Minutes:** Regular Meeting of February 28th, 2018 at 7:00 P.M.
5. **Shade Tree Matters:**
 - a. Shade Tree Official's Report:
 - b. Expanded Tree Ordinance: David to Discuss.
 - c. State Report: CEU's
 - d. Tree ID seminar- Association Park or Rocky Brook (we may be able to get grant funds to pay for Kevin to identify existing trees and recommend additional trees and plantings to compliment wetlands landscape)
6. **Parks and Recreation:**
 - a. Dawes Park Update
7. **Borough Council Liaison:**
 - a. Municipal Facilities Plan and discussion
 - b. Lincoln/Hagemont/Oak Lane project.
8. **Planning Board Update:**
 - a. **The Lofts- Planning Board Review**
 - b. Green Development Checklist
9. **Sustainable Jersey Update:**
 - a. Initiatives and assignments
10. **Grants and Funding Update:**
 - a. Sustainable Jersey grant for development of a program to promote water conservation in the Borough of Hightstown (Ties into SJ Community Education Action and Water Conservation Action) This grant was submitted and we are waiting for a decision.
 - b. Mercer County Sustainability Coalition. Joint grant with 5 other municipalities to develop a energy efficiency campaign devoted to local business. This grant was submitted and we are waiting for a decision

- c. Sustainable Jersey-Roots for Reforestation Grant. (Rocky Brook Wetlands redevelopment)- This grant was submitted in conjunction with the Watershed.
- d. ANJEC Grant (Rocky Brook Wetlands mapping and trail signage) This grant is currently available and the EC will be submitting an application for \$1500.00
- e. Stony Brook Millstone Watershed “Green Infrastructure” grant. We are being considered for this grant to provide additional green infrastructure in Rocky Brook Park to compliment the stream bank restoration and the Wetlands work.

11. New Business

- a. Annual Stream Clean-Up. April 21st Can we get the High School and a group from the Peddie School to help?
 - i. 10AM to 12PM Stream Clean up.
 - ii. Shredding Event- 2 hours 10AM to 12PM- Cost is \$600-Borough provided purchase order.
 - iii. Annual Arbor Day Tree Planting. Replacing damaged Elm (Roger Cooks) with similar Elm or White Oak.
- b. Mercer County Sustainability Coalition. A planning meeting was held to determine the future and best use for the coalition.
- c. I had a conversation with Nancy Tindall from the Allentown EC. They are interested in the SJ program and will be discussing working with us on various items.

12. Correspondents, Conferences and Workshops:

- a. Mercer County Green Fest- The event was a great success with over 1000 people attending. I would like Hightstown to be involved in this next year with at least one table.
- b. St. Anthony’s Green Fair. April 15th from 8:00AM to 12PM.
 - i. Water conservation (tie into SJ Grant) Keith is putting together materials and displays. Volunteers?
- c. Ideas for Harvest Fair-
- d. Parks and Rec

13. Adjournment

Next Regular Meeting Date, April 24th, 2018, 7:00 P.M.