

COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF

MARCH 12, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Nardone. He announced that the meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Present: Ken McGill, Pat Smith, Dale Schweitzer, John Nardone, Julie Gandy and via phone Amy Wright. Absent Jim D'Ambrosio Also in attendance: Committeeman Ryan Broughton

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of January 8, 2019 by Ken seconded by Pat. Motion approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

ANJEC: Julie reported ANJEC will be hosting a Fundamentals for Effective Environmental Commissions on March 16, 2019 from 9-1:30 in West Deptford. John will be speaking on Commission's need for a mission statement and goal setting.

Sustainable Jersey: Pat reported that our certification will expire in December. Our application for recertification is due in June. Pat & John will prepare plan to include 2000 lbs. of plastic bag recycled to make 4 park benches for the veterans park, the milkweed project, sponsorship of the climate change workshop, assisting with Eagle Festival registration, collection of fishing line filament, distribution of reusable shopping bags, installation of signs at Lake Audrey, bamboo ordinance, the installation of storm water decals in cooperation with the Watershed Ambassador, side clean up, and successful encouragement of Township Committee to endorsement of the Paris Climate Accord.

Milkweed Project: John reported everything is good.

CORRESPONDENCE:

John reported we received a request by the County for a permit to vacate "No Name Dam" that is located on CR 676 near the gunning club. No action taken.

Ken reported he surveyed several roads as targets for cleanup. The road that needs it most is James Moore.

John reported he requested business cards for the Commission which will only have the township name and address.

John reported he attended the Delaware Bay Restoration Local Leaders meeting on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> where they discussed the five year wrap up and future projects. This was the sixth meeting. There were about 20 attendees: 5 from the Littorial Society, and 2 from New Jersey.

(See attached agenda). They reported that the shell bags to protect the beaches seem to be working, horseshoe crab restoration a success, dredging the mouth of the river will be hard. Ken reported on single use plastic problems i.e. the 8<sup>th</sup> grade breakfast he attended every dish and utensil was disposed of in the trash. A lot was donated by WaWa and not biodegradable. He will contact the school administrator, June Smith, the Senior Center and ANJEC to see what other towns are doing.

Correspondence:

Email from Melanie Cucunato, watershed ambassador for WMA 17 listing upcoming events if we are interested in participating.

Plans to replace a malfunctioning septic system at 1651 Main Street. (see attached)

Motion by Ken seconded by Pat to open the meeting to the public. Motion approved.

Seeing no one: Motion by Ken seconded by Pat to close the public. Motion approved.

Motion by Ken seconded by Dale to adjourn. Motion approved at 7:50pm.

Respectively submitted,

Julie Gandy, Secretary

cc: Twp. Committee  
CTEC members