

MINUTES

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 6, 2020

*All reappointed members were sworn in prior to the meeting.*

**Chairperson calls the Meeting to order.**

**Salute to the flag. 7:10PM**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT:** *This meeting complies with the open meeting act by publishing same in the appropriate newspapers and notification to the Township clerk. Notice has been posted in the front entrance of the Municipal Building:*

<b>Sherry Roth – Chairperson -</b>	Present
<b>Robert Kirwan –</b>	Present
<b>Glenn Perry -</b>	Present
<b>Megan Brunatti -</b>	Present
<b>Sharon McKenna -</b>	Present
<b>Leah Fitzpatrick -</b>	Present
<b>Robert J. Kokai -</b>	Absent
<b>Monica Zabroski – Alt. I</b>	Present
<b>Vicki McErLean – Alt. II -</b>	Present

**Also, Present:**

Matthew von der Hayden – Present, left at 7:35PM  
Barbara Reynolds, Green Team Member – left at 7:35PM  
Jeanne Giordano, 158 East Bay Ave., Manahawkin, NJ  
Tom Blackmore – 13 N. Union St. , Manahawkin, NJ  
Susan Blackmore – 13 N. Union St., Manahawkin, NJ  
Cindy Wurst, 20 N. Union St., Manahawkin, NJ

**Stafford Township Green Team Advisory Committee:**

Matthew von der Hayden, Township Administrator

**2020 MEETING DATES FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION:**

Stafford Township Environmental Commission meeting dates will be as follows: January 6<sup>th</sup> Reorganization, February 3<sup>rd</sup> , March 2<sup>nd</sup> , April 6<sup>th</sup>, May 4<sup>th</sup> , June 1<sup>st</sup> , July 6<sup>th</sup>, August 3<sup>rd</sup> , September 14<sup>th</sup>, October 5<sup>th</sup> and December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

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**Appointments and Reappointments:**

Annemarie Sillitoe, re- assigned as Secretary to the Environmental Commission, commencing January 1, 2020 and ending December 31, 2020

Sherry Roth has been re-appointed as a Regular member and Chairperson to the Environmental Commission said term expiring December 31, 2022.

Monica Zabroski has been appointed as an Alternate II member to the Environmental Commission said term expiring December 31, 2020.

A motion made by Roth; second by McKenna; to appoint Robert Kirwan, Vice – Chairperson commencing on January 6, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2020.

Aif: Aye

**Approval of Minutes:**

December 2, 2019, Regular Meeting  
Kirwan, McKenna, and Kokai were absent.

A motion by: Perry; second: Roth to approve the minutes of the December 2, 2019 meeting.

Aif: Aye, McKenna & Kirwan Abstained.

**Memberships:**

A motion: Roth; seconded by Kirwan; to renew the memberships to ANJEC, the National Arbor Day Foundation, and Groundwater Guardian.

Aif: Aye

**Applications:**

**1. Chipotle Mexican Grill, Inc.**

**Application # P19-15**

Block 86/2.03

Amended P/F Major Site Plan

**Comments:**           **The Environmental Commission has no comments.**

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**Payment of Bills:**

**NJ PRESS MEDIA SOLUTIONS**

**PO# 19-05292**

Publish 2020 Meeting dates **\$ 23.04**

Asbury Park Press

Affidavit of Publication **\$ 35.00**

**Total \$ 58.04**

A motion made by Roth; seconded by Brunatti; to approve the payment of the bills.  
Aif: Aye

**Arbor Day 2020 –**

“Power of Pollinators”, from Bees to Bats to Butterflies -  
Friday, April 24, 2020 – Ocean Acres Community Center 3:45PM

*To date the ROTC, the Bee- Natural Chorus and Reynolds Landscaping have been confirmed to participate in the 2020 Arbor Day Ceremony. As of February 3, 2020, all information and entry forms have been distributed to the schools. The article and teacher’s guide was sent via email. Pineshore Art Association has confirmed they will judge the posters again this year and the Ocean County Library (Stafford Branch) has confirmed that they will judge the essays and poems. Most of the sponsor letters have been sent out. The seedlings have been ordered, Public Works will pick them up on the Monday before Arbor Day. They are bare root; we will have to organize a group to wrap them prior to the event. The commission discussed the possibility of recruiting the Ecology Club, to wrap the seedlings and also obtaining milkweed seeds.*

**Discussions:**

*Jeanne Giordano, 158 East Bay Ave., would like to have a group of volunteers to help with the clean up in the area known as the “Bridge to nowhere”.*

*Mr. Blackmore, 13 N. Union St., has a concern about the property between the access road to the Wawa and the old Liquor Store on East Bay Ave., behind the home old furniture.*

*Cindy Wurst, 20 N. Union St., spoke of her involvement about the environment within the town.*

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by McKenna; seconded by Kirwan; to adjourn the meeting  
at 8:15PM.

Aif: Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary