

MINUTES

STAFFORD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 9, 2020

Chairperson calls the Meeting to order.

Salute to the flag. 7:05PM

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:*

Sherry Roth – Chairperson -	Arrived at 7:23PM
Robert Kirwan – Vice Chairperson -	Present
Glenn Perry -	Present
Megan Brunatti -	Absent
Sharon McKenna -	Arrived at 8:20PM
Leah Fitzpatrick -	Present
Robert J. Kokai -	Absent
Monica Zabroski – Alt. I	Present
Vicki McErLean – Alt. II -	Present

Also, Present:

Matthew von der Hayden, Township Administrator – Left at 7:40PM
Jeanne Giordano, 158 East Bay Ave.,
Barbara Reynolds, Green Team Member – Left at 7:40PM
Councilman Thomas Steadman - Left at 7:40PM

Stafford Township Green Team Advisory Committee:

Matthew von der Hayden, Township Administrator

Approval of Minutes:

February 3, 2020, Regular Meeting
Perry, McKenna, Zabroski & McErlean were absent.

A motion by: Mr. Kirwan; second Ms. Roth; to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2020 meeting.

Aif: Aye, Mr. Perry, Ms. Zabroski & McKenna Abstained

Applications:

- 1. Highland Development Ventures, LLC**
Application # P20-01
Block 137 Lots 1, 2, & 6
P/F Major Site Plan

Comments: **See letter to Planning Board.**

- 2. Fairview Terrace LLC**
Application # Z20-04
Block 51.14/38
Use Variance/ Minor Site Plan

Comments: **The Environmental Commission will defer comment until Board Engineer provides the review letter.**

- 3. Walters Cornerstone Dev. LLC**
Application # P17-01F
Block 120.20 Lot 43.01
Final Major Site Plan (Phase 2- Manahawkin Family Apartments)

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

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 medals have been ordered and received. The gift cards have been ordered. Jeanne Giordano has ordered & received the burlap which is being donated by Manahawkin Tree Service, and she has suggested we use moss to keep them moist. Father Ken has been confirmed give the opening prayer. All the entries have been picked up.

Payment of Bills:

NJ PRESS MEDIA SOLUTIONS

PO# 20-00891

Reschedule March 2, 2020 Mtg.	\$ 9.30
Affidavit of Publication	\$ 25.00

Total	\$ 34.30
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A motion made by Ms. Roth; seconded by Mr. Kirwan; to approve the payment of the bills.
Aif: Aye

Discussions:

The commission discussed the wrapping of the seedlings. A sample Jeanne Giordano prepared was shown, everyone liked it. The commission discussed how to stage the seedlings. Sherry also informed the commission she will be purchasing milkweed and assorted wildflower seeds to give out. To date, Bob Kirwan, Sharon, Leah, Vicki and Jeanne will be attending the ceremony. Monica, Sharon and Vicki volunteered to help hang the entries on April 23.

Jeanne Giordano spoke with Matt von der Hayden to have group to clean up the bridge to Nowhere. Matt will provide the bags and pickers when this is coordinated.

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Adjournment:

A motion was made by Mr. Kirwan; seconded by Ms. McKenna; to adjourn the meeting at 8:35PM.

Aif: Aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Annemarie Sillitoe
Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary

