

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017**

The meeting of the Environmental Commission, held at the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:34 p.m. by Richard Wolf, Chair. The Opening Statement was made. Roll call was taken.

Present: Janet Ariemma
Michael Devaney
Karin LaGreca
Carol Phiefer
Richard Reilly
Richard Seibert
Richard Wolf

Jennifer Storms, Secretary

Absent: Ward Donigian, Planning Board Liaison

The minutes of the meeting held on June 28, 2017 were approved as submitted following a motion by Seibert; seconded by Devaney. Phiefer abstained. All other members were in favor.

Before moving into the Old Business portion of the meeting, Wolf announced that during our August 9 meeting, a representative from Suez Water will deliver a presentation regarding a well maintenance program proposal for Mahwah. Mayor Laforet and Township Administrator Quentin Wiest also plan to attend the presentation.

OLD BUSINESS

Mahwah Day Update

Seibert spoke to DPW Director Glenn Dowson regarding Mahwah Day and Dowson indicated to him that MEVO has 50-gallon recycling pails they would like to give out. LaGreca said she would follow up with MEVO to confirm.

Seibert said he also spoke to Dowson regarding MEVO's old tire display at the upcoming Mahwah Day. According to Seibert, Dowson said he can have DPW staff remove and properly dispose of the tires after the event.

July 15 Recycling Giveaway

Members discussed the recycling bin giveaway at DPW this upcoming Saturday.

Mahwah High School Donation of Bat Houses

Storms followed up the school regarding the donation of bat houses the Mahwah High School Woodworking Club has proposed. The houses can be placed on existing structures or poles in the township and visibly checked once a year for cracks and splits.

The High School representative suggested five locations that would be ideal: Riverside Park, Continental Soldiers Park, Airmount Park, Winters Park and the Municipal Pool/Darlington Lake Area.

MEVO Research Display at Mahwah Day

Wolf reminded members that we agreed during our last meeting to present on MEVO's research at the next Mahwah Day. Members briefly discussed the ongoing problem with dumping on Stag Hill. MEVO will attend our next meeting on July 26 to discuss the ongoing work.

Sustainable Jersey Recertification

LaGreca distributed a handout for our recertification and discussed some of the things on which we need to move forward. Wolf pulled up the website to show members how to navigate the site. Members discussed the various priorities each individual will handle.

SITE PLAN REVIEWS

None received

SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

19 Hines, LLC, 129 Second Street, Block 54, Lot 11.01, Docket #581S(1)

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Comments to Administrative Officer and Township Engineer:

Please have the applicant clarify the soil movement figures under "Description of Soil to be Moved."

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TENANT APPLICATIONS

None received

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- Email from resident regarding tree trimming in a flood zone on his property
- Email from resident regarding our July 15 recycling bin giveaway
- Email from Sustainable City Network regarding upcoming webinar
- Freshwater Wetlands Application regarding property at 24 Osborne Court
- Copy of a Response Action Outcome from EnviroTrac Environmental Services regarding Route 17 and Moffatt Road
- Copy of an application for a Letter of Interpretation for 24 Osborne Court
- Various agendas, minutes and public notices

NEW BUSINESS

None

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. following a motion by Phiefer; seconded by Seibert. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey.

J. Storms
Secretary