

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2019**

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: Richard Wolf, Chair
 Karin LaGreca
 Tom McKeon
 Carol Phiefer
 Frank Pallotta, Planning Board Liaison

Jennifer Storms, Secretary

Absent: Richard Seibert, Vice Chair
 Janet Ariemma, Council Liaison

There was no quorum to approve the minutes for the meeting held on June 26, 2019. Approval was deferred to the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Apple Ridge Update

Wolf said Toll Brothers has been issued a stop work order on the property. While no contamination was found on the property, the runoff is far in excess of what it should be.

Youth Audubon Plantings at Lake Henry

Wolf said he visited the site recently and did not see anything planted. He will follow up with DPW to see if they know anything the status of the initiative.

Rain Garden

LaGreca said she is still working on the third phase of the project. She said she would like to have someone take an aerial shot of the rain garden and is going to look for vendors. Storms will reach out to the township's photographer, who does aerial photography as well.

Green Initiatives

Pallotta said he requested a meeting with Mike Kelly to discuss some of the town's green initiatives. He will follow up as more updates are available.

Reusable Bag Update

Members discussed the language to include on the reusable bags. Members agreed on using "Choose to Reuse – Mahwah, NJ."

SITE PLAN REVIEWS

HMH Carrier Clinic, 1071 Ramapo Valley Road, Block 23, Lot 45, BOA #1466-19
The Environmental Commission reviewed a Board of Adjustment Application Review Report for the former site of the Carmelite Retreat House.

The review of this application was accepted following a motion made by Phiefer; seconded by Pallotta. All other members were in favor.

SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Regina Accardo, 748 Wyckoff Avenue, Block 165, Lot 1, E-BD-216-3156

The Environmental Commission reviewed a Soil Movement Permit Application and Tree Preservation Application for a two-story addition, deck and driveway extension on the property.

Comments to Administrative Officer

Please have the applicant clarify the soil movement figures listed on the Soil Movement Permit Application, specifically the revised figures that indicate what is being imported and exported.

The review of this application was approved with the above comment following a motion made by LaGreca; seconded by Phiefer. All other members were in favor.

David Micallef, 26 Deerfield Terrace, Block 149, Lot 44, E-BD-216-3168

The Environmental Commission reviewed a Soil Movement Permit Application for a retaining wall on the property.

The review of this application was approved following a motion made by LaGreca; seconded by Phiefer. All other members were in favor.

TENANT APPLICATIONS

None received

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- OPRA requests dated July 12 and July 22
- Copy of a DEP letter regarding a notice of Classification Exception Area for the Mahwah U-Save, 231 Route 17 and Ramapo Valley Road
- Copy of a Response Action Outcome regarding 500 Corporate Drive
- Copy of a Remedial Action Protectiveness Biennial Certification Certification Form for Abex Corporation, 65 Ramapo Valley Road
- Mailing from ANJEC
- Use and Bulk Variance Application & Preliminary and Final Site Plan Application for 555 MacArthur Boulevard
- Various agendas, minutes and public notices

NEW BUSINESS

Reusable Bags, Continued

LaGreca said she will obtain bids for the reusable bags. Wolf said we want to spend approximately \$3,000. She will look for some samples to share with members.

Fall Newsletter Submissions

LaGreca reminded members that newsletter submissions are due August 1, 2019. The fall issue will be delivered the week of September 9 to 13 in order to be out before Mahwah Day on Sept. 21.

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. following a motion by Pallotta; seconded by Phiefer. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey.

J. Storms
Secretary