

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 27, 2016**

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: Jonathan Marcus  
Carol Phiefer  
Richard Reilly  
Richard Seibert  
Richard Wolf  
Jennifer Storms (secretary)

Karin LaGreca (Sustainable Jersey, arrived 7:46 p.m.)

Absent: Linda Meisel  
Daniel Weixeldorfer

The minutes of the meeting held on June 22, 2016 were approved as submitted following a motion by Mr. Wolf; seconded by Mr. Marcus. Mr. Reilly abstained because he was absent. All other members were in favor.

The minutes of the meeting held on July 13, 2016 were approved as submitted following a motion by Mr. Reilly; seconded by Mrs. Phiefer. Mr. Seibert abstained because he was absent. All other members were in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Winters Pond Rain Garden Update

Mr. Wolf said Karin LaGreca is in talks with Orange & Rockland, who has made a commitment to support the creation of a rain garden on the site, for at least \$1,500 this year and possibly up to \$10,000 next year. Brian Campion also gave her some recommendations as to other sources of funding. Mike Kelly is going to speak to the architect to come up with a sketch plan to present to Town Council.

Township Email Addresses

Mrs. Storms spoke to Administration about having email addresses created for Commission Members. Information Technology is setting them up.

Ramapo Ridge Tree Removal – Greenway @ Ramapo Ridge Phase III

Mr. Wolf followed up with the applicant and gave them the Environmental Commission's recommendations discussed during our last meeting.

**SITE PLAN REVIEWS**

*None received*

**SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

*None received*

**TENANT APPLICATIONS**

The following tenant applications were reviewed and approved:

Rent & Talk, Inc., dba Wise Smart Phones, 200 Route 17 South, Suite 5, Block 132, Lot 11, TA16-0035

*Cellular phones and related items*

Top Prospect Group, 1200 MacArthur Blvd., Block 139, Lot 2, TA16-0036

*Staffing Company*

**CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- Notification of application to the NJDEP for a Flood Hazard Individual Permit for 64 Ramapo Valley Road, Block 40, Lots 25 and 57.
- Various agendas, minutes and public notices.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mahwah Day

Members discussed ongoing ideas for Mahwah Day. DPW is checking to see if they can purchase recycling containers under the town's Clean Community Grant. Mr. Seibert asked if we need to ask for proof of residency when distributing the containers. Mr. Wolf said we may need to, depending on that type of grant money we use.

At our last meeting, Mrs. LaGreca suggested we think about doing a town-wide litter campaign as part of Mahwah Day. Mr. Wolf said we should consider doing something educational, such as a Mahwah Cleanup Day. Members discussed doing it the weekend following Mahwah Day, which would be Oct. 1, 2016. Mrs. Phiefer said she can work on a littering poster for Mahwah Day. The group also discussed setting up an Environmental Commission Facebook page to utilize social media. Mr. Marcus and Mrs. Storms will look into the possibility of doing this.

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 8:27 p.m. following a motion by Mr. Marcus; seconded by Mrs. Phiefer. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey.

J. Storms  
Secretary