

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016**

The meeting of the Environmental Commission, held at the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:43 p.m. by Richard Wolf, Chair. The Opening Statement was made. Roll call was taken.

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

Absent: Linda Meisel  
Richard Reilly  
Daniel Weixeldorfer

The minutes of the meeting held on September 14, 2016 were approved as submitted following a motion by Marcus; seconded by Phiefer. All members were in favor.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Rain Garden Update

Wolf followed up with the Township Engineer regarding the rough estimate we received for the plan. The engineer said the Winters Pond Concept Plan was for a 4,500-square-foot property, which is much larger than the space we have. We are confident our plan can be scaled back by at least 50 percent.

Makeover Mahwah Day

Marcus gave an update on Makeover Mahwah Day on October 1 and said he will continue to pitch it to media for local coverage.

Facebook Page

Marcus said the new Facebook page has been generating a lot of positive feedback. It is located at [www.facebook.com/mahwahec](http://www.facebook.com/mahwahec).

Mahwah Day Update

Wolf said DPW requested we cancel the signup for recycling bins during Mahwah Day. Instead, DPW will make them available to all interested residents on a first-come, first-served basis on Saturday, October 22 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Commission also received an email from a resident who would like a bin – Storms will follow up with the resident as to the details of the pickup. Members discussed coordinating the issue of traffic on October 22 with DPW and the Police Department. Seibert will speak to Glenn Dowson of the DPW.

**SITE PLAN REVIEWS**

*None received*

**SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

*None received*

**TENANT APPLICATIONS**

*None received*

**CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- Response Action Outcome for the remediation of 269 East Crescent Avenue, Block 127, Lots 1 and 3-7 (Apple Ridge Country Club)
- Invitation from Boswell Engineering
- Newsletter of the Joyce Kilmer Society of Mahwah, Volume 4, Issue 9
- Various agendas, minutes and public notices

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Budget 2017 Preparation**

Our 2017 Budget Preparation Worksheet is due on November 1, 2016. Members discussed some things we may need or want to do in the next year, including a feasibility study for the bike path as well as applying for grants for recycling bins and the Winters Pond Rain Garden.

**Minutes of September 14, 2016 – Correction**

Storms informed members there was a typo in the minutes that were approved at the beginning of the meeting. She will make the correction before finalizing the minutes. All members were in favor.

**Winter's Pond Resident Request**

Seibert said during Mahwah Day he heard from a resident who wanted to know if the park at Winter's Pond is for residents only or open to the public. Storms checked and informed members that it is open to all.

**Water Quality Update**

In light of the recent articles about chemicals in our water supply, Marcus proposed holding Water Forums sometime in the upcoming year to allow residents to learn more about our water quality. All other members were in favor.

**Purchase of Display Easel**

Wolf made a motion to purchase a second display easel; seconded by Marcus. All other members were in favor. Storms will process it through our Office Supplies budget.

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 9:04 p.m. following a motion by Marcus; seconded by Phiefer. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey.

J. Storms  
Secretary