

Environmental Commission Board Meeting – October 11, 2022

Call to Order by Chair

**Open Public Meeting Notice read by Commission Lawyer**

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence led by Chairwoman Seemuller

Roll Call taken by Commission Lawyer – See the table on page 2

Adoption of Minutes – Sept 13, 2022 were adopted with requested changes. Citizen to Member in voting record and Pledge of Legion to Pledge of Allegiance. Board also voted to have previous meeting minutes updated to reflect the change of citizen to member in the voting tables; see vote on page 2

Public Hearings:

Application 112 West Park Drive – floodplains mapping verification requested. Application is requesting a portion of wetlands filled. Request is within current regulations. Plans include a modified basin. New configuration of building and pavement will reduce impervious surface. Provided Phase I – building check for asbestos and lead. EC board asking about stabilized entry during construction and protection of basin.

Application 179 Hooton Ave (2.5 acres) – subdivide into two residential lots. There are wetlands on the property but build is away from the wetlands area. Toni Sapio will request more information regarding the wetlands.

Open Discussion:

1. Natural Resource Inventory (NRI)
  - a. Report is ready and needs to go before the council before adopting into Master Plan
2. Environmental Commission Table Cloth – This was approved at the September meeting Bill Giegerich will follow up with township on procurement.
3. Tree City USA – township indicated we did not meet the financial requirements of application but more details have been requested.
4. Voluntary Local Reviews for Mount Laurel Township – no update
  - a. Mr. Singh is working on presentation for council
5. Costume Collection and Give away
  - a. Over 150 costumes collected and distributed. 85 costumes given out at the fall festival and the remaining costumes went to the Generation Family Success Center in Mount Holly.
6. Food Waste Reduction
  - a. Gina Cohl mentioned that she would be speaking at the ANJEC 2022 Congress on “Managing Food Waste at Home” and that she would like to do a Library display and seminar at the Library.
  - b. Councilwoman Cohen indicated that she would like to see the EC have more educational videos/seminars at the Library.

Meeting Adjourned – motion by Gina Cohl and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandra Carleton. All were in Favor.

Next Meeting is Tuesday November 8, 2022 at 7pm.

Environmental Commission Board Attendance

		Attendance	Absent
Chairwoman	Marinna Seemuller	x	
Member	Sandra Carleton	x	
Member	Gina Cohl	x	
Member	Bhupindar Singh	x	
Member – Planning Board Rep	Ramesh Venkatakrisnan		x
Member Alt 1	Christopher Hughes		x
Member Alt 2	Mandy Skalski		x
Councilmember	Karen Cohen	x	
Township Rep	William Giegerich	x	
Professional	Toni Sapio	x	
Lawyer	Richard Briigliodoro	x	

Vote on Adopting Minutes from September

		Motion	AYE	NAY	Abstained	Absent
Chairwoman	Marinna Seemuller		x			
Member	Sandra Carleton		x			
Member	Gina Cohl	x	x			
Member	Bhupindar Singh	x	x			
Member – Planning Board Rep	Ramesh Venkatakrisnan					x
Member Alt 1	Christopher Hughes					x
Member Alt 2	Mandy Skalski					X
Township Rep	William Giegerich		x			

Vote on motion to change the term of citizen to member on past board minutes

		Motion	AYE	NAY	Abstained	Absent
Chairwoman	Marinna Seemuller	x	x			
Member	Sandra Carleton	x	x			
Member	Gina Cohl		x			
Member	Bhupindar Singh		x			
Member – Planning Board Rep	Ramesh Venkatakrisnan					x
Member Alt 1	Christopher Hughes					x
Member Alt 2	Mandy Skalski					X
Township Rep	William Giegerich		x			