

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes March 16, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll

Present: Chair Phil Wooldridge, Vice Chair Dan Kurela, Rich Larsen, Maureen Bonner, first alternate Diane Gonski Absent: Joanne Ward, Tom Webster, Doug Hankin, second alternate Helen Danitz

Public Comment None

Approval of minutes

Mr. Kurela made a motion to approve the minutes of February 16, 2017 meeting, seconded by Mr. Larsen. All in favor.

Communications

A proposal from Solitude Lake Management was received regarding treatment for the municipal beach area. The proposal was wrongly addressed to include MLCA & WAG and Liberty Township. Ms. Schaaf will contact them for a proposal solely for management at the beach for Liberty Township. Ms. Schaaf will also contact Aquatic Analysts for a proposal.

Old Business

Dark Skies Ordinance: Mr. Kurela had a sample brochure regarding a light ordinance and being in compliance provided by East Hampton community. Possible the LTEC could use as a guide to create an educational brochure for the Liberty community. Discussion ensued regarding a bulk mailing/ways to reach residents.

ANJEC Open Space Stewardship Grant: The LTEC will keep this in mind for next year. Cabin Fever Workshop: Members discussed 8:45 am as set-up time to prepare for the event on March 25th. Commissioners will provide coffee, snacks and bring supplies to make the event a success.

NJ Tree Recovery Program Free Trees: Approved to receive 400 trees for giveaway on May 6th at the pavilion from 9-11 am. Ms. Schaaf will draft a flyer for distribution to promote the event. Thank you gift: The gift was ordered and received. The LTEC will present with a card at the Cabin Fever workshop.

New Business

Dark Skies Initiative Survey: Final draft was approved and will be posted online. Ms. Schaaf will make a flyer to promote. The cost to host the online survey through Survey Monkey is \$26 per month. A motion was made to approve spending \$26/month for 3 months to keep the survey available to the community. Motion approved by Ms. Bonner, seconded by Ms. Gonski. All in favor. Mr. Kurela will provide receipts for reimbursement.

Moth Night: Mr. Wooldridge will look into possible dates/costs to host moth night with Blaine. More information to follow at April meeting.

Clean Communities Grants: Questions arose about hosting/organizing clean-ups or at least being able to promote them to groups. Ms. Schaaf will reach out to Kevin Lifer for more information.

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Commission Member Reports

None

Approval of Expenditures

Cabin Fever Expenses: \$167.58 to be reimbursed to Mr. Wooldridge for Hometown Habitat movie

license and twig balls

Retirement Sundial: \$92.41 to be reimbursed to Ms. Schaaf for purchasing the thank you gift. Mr. Kurela made a motion to approve the expenses, seconded by Mr. Larsen. All in favor.

Commissioner and Public Comments

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Schaaf