



LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
**Minutes of Monthly Meeting**  
**March 17, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This meeting was advertised on the Township Website Blog as in-person at the Township municipal building and on LTEC's Facebook page.

**Roll Call:** Present: Chair Larry Supp, Vice-Chair Doug Hankin, Sarah Longo, Rich Larsen, and Jarod Gajda  
Absent: Doug Wright, Martine Kieffer, and Diane Gonski

**Public Comment: None**

**Approval of minutes:**

- February 17, 2022 Minutes – Motion was made by Doug Hankin to approve the minutes, seconded by Rich Larsen. All in favor.

**Communications: None**

**Old Business:**

- **Peaceful garden update** –
  - Rich was unhappy with the quality of the birdhouses available for sale, and instead purchased materials to build two bird houses. The construction was great, and bird houses are to be installed right away. Final cost to build birdhouses was approximately \$60 and funds will come out of the remaining ANJEC grant budget.
  - Additional maintenance to be done by Larry and Rich.
  - Town Committee will approve posting of QR code on the fence near the garden, but not on the pavilion.
- **Tree (arborist) Workshop** – Arborist Rachel DeFlumeri will be presenting “Trees: Basic Principles of Arboriculture 101” at the Municipal Building on Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 10am – 12pm. Rachel attended the meeting and provided an outline with details on topics to be discussed. A sandwich board poster will advertise the event along with Facebook posts, and flyers.
- **Free Tree Giveaway planning update** – We will receive a total of 500 trees to be given away on Saturday, April 23, 2022, at the Lake/Beach Pavilion. Due to the short window of time in which we will have information on tree species, the decision was made to eliminate the option to pre-order. The limit on number of trees per family still stands at 8 trees per family.

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- **Green Infrastructure/Rain Garden/Pervious Paving Project** – Not much progress on this project/grant application. Suggestion was made by Rachel to review the National Resources Conservation Service website to assist with cost breakdowns and/or cost estimator. Doug Hankin to borrow previous plans to review.
- **Solitude Herbicide Contract** – Larry contacted four companies who expressed interest in providing herbicide treatment, but three advised they were too busy. After many unsuccessful attempts to communicate with Solitude, a new representative has promised to provide a contract shortly.
- **2022 ANJEC grants for open space stewardship projects** – ANJEC is now accepting applications for grants of up to \$1,500 for local stewardship projects. It was proposed that we apply for funds to repair/replace the railing/steps that lead down to the Peaceful Garden. Applications are due May 2, 2022. Discussions to continue.

**Commission Member Reports:** Vortech Report was provided and discussed

**Approval of Expenditures**

**Commissioner and Public Comments**

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Larry Supp to adjourn at 9:06 PM, seconded by Doug Hankin.

**NEXT MEETING April 21, 2022**