

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Reorganization and Regular Meeting Minutes January 18, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll

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

Reorganization

Dan Kurela was voted as Vice Chair on a motion made by Diane Gonski, seconded by Rich Larsen. All in favor. The 2018 meeting schedule was approved by a motion from Maureen Bonner, seconded by Dan Kurela. All in favor.

Public Comment None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from December 21, 2017 were approved by a motion made by Dan Kurela, seconded by Maureen Bonner. All in favor.

Communications

ANJEC Dues for 2018 - The cost for membership for 2018 is \$375.

Parshield – Mr. Kurela received an email from Parshield regarding a discount available to purchase light shields by the case. (32 boxes in a case, 64 shields total)

Old Business

Dark Skies – Discussion ensued regarding the presentation on Smart Lighting Solutions Ordinance for the Liberty Township Committee. Mr. Kurela prepared and organized booklets containing the draft ordinance, shield guides, brochure sample, and costs for improvements.

Chemical List for Website: Add wash and wax and road salt information from DPW.

Earth Day Planting: No plans yet received.

Cabin Fever Workshop: March 24th from 10 am – 11am. Need to confirm with Watershed Ambassador and discuss craft. Shannon will draft a flier for the next meeting.

New Business

2018 Budget Request – The commission voted to submit the budget request for the same amount and no changes.

Annual Report: Submitted

Township Newsletter: For LTEC, include Cabin Fever workshop, Smart Lighting Solutions, lake recreation opportunities, Earth Day planting

Fish Habitat at Mt. Lake: The Commission is interested in receiving a proposal first from the angling club for discussion.

Commission Member Reports

Mr. Wooldridge: Attended a talk about jumping spiders and thought very interesting. Also, there was mention of the Amphibian Crossing training for February.

Ms. Schaaf: Mentioned Geese control options and egg addling being discussed by the Recreation Commission.

Expenditures

A motion was made by Mr. Hankin to approve paying \$375 for ANJEC dues for 2018 and moving forward with the 2018 budget request, keeping it the same as 2017. Seconded by Mr. Larsen. All in favor.

Adjournment: 8:23 PM Approved 2.15.18