

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
November 20, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 7:01p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This meeting was advertised on the Township Website as in-person at the Township municipal building and on LTEC's Facebook page.

Roll Call:

Present: Chairman Larry Supp, Vice-Chair Jarod Gajda (via phone), Ammunje Nayak, Regan Bottomley, John Ward, and John DeHuff

Absent: Doug Wright

Public Comment: None

Approval of minutes: A motion to approve the September 18, 2025, meeting minutes was made by Regan Bottomley and seconded by John Ward. All in favor.

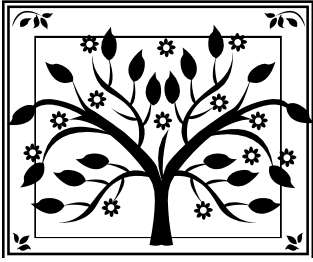
Communications: The grant to repair the beach/boat launch parking lot was approved by the DEP for \$250,000.

Old Business:

- **Liberty Lake Dam Report Update** – The report is complete, and notice has been sent to nearby residents. We will try to confirm the status with the DEP.
- **2026 Budget worksheet review** – A motion was made by Larry, and seconded by John DeHuff, to transfer \$350 from the Maintenance budget and \$500 from the Equipment budget into the Seminars/Conferences budget. The revised totals are: Seminars/Conferences—\$1,000; Equipment—\$1,500; Maintenance—\$5,650. All other line items remain unchanged. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- **Vortech system inspection failure – cleanout needed** – Jeff Snyder did not provide the written documentation corresponding to the verbal report of an inspection failure involving the stormwater catch basins/Vortech system. At this time, it is unclear what specifically failed or who conducted the inspection. Without complete information, we were unable to present the matter for a vote. The consensus is that the LTEC serves in an advisory capacity only and does not participate in decisions or payments related to annual maintenance. Accordingly,



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we will advise the township to budget for and arrange annual maintenance of the system.

- **Water Chestnut** – The EC supports the water chestnut removal project proposed by the MLCA and may contribute funding if the work is contracted out.
- **Land Use Board Compliance Non-compliance with Ordinance** – The Land Use Board has not been compliant with the town ordinance requiring notification to the EC regarding applications. Larry and Doug Wright held a preliminary discussion, and Larry will follow up with Doug by email, then consult with the mayor before issuing an official letter to address the matter.
- **2026 Meeting days/time** – A motion was made by John DeHuff and seconded by John Ward to change the LTEC meeting date to the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM, effective February 2026. All in favor.
- **Weed management** – The MLCA is developing a proposal to assume responsibility for weed management without the use of herbicides or chemical treatments. We will await further information following their December 16, 2025, meeting with the Lake Subcommittee.

Commission Member Reports: None

Approval of Expenditures: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Larry Supp to adjourn the meeting at 8:32PM, seconded by Jarod Gajda. All in favor.

NEXT MEETING: December 18, 2025