

MINUTES OF THE WESTVILLE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 03, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lovell at 7:15pm.

The “Open Public Meeting Act” notice was read.

Roll call was answered by Chairperson Lovell and Commissioners Adams, Callaghan and alternate Commissioner Sill. Commissioners Bittner and Domico were absent.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Commissioner Lovell reported the following budget information: Total \$1482.94. Balance of 2015 \$748.00, Grants \$734.94- (252. Trnt to Parks and Playgrounds, 1/11/2015 for plants, \$360 ANJEC 1/11/2015). The budget allocation should be available for the March 2016 meeting.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Commissioner Callaghan reported that she is currently trying to obtain educational materials for upcoming events.

DEP HAZARDOUS DISCHARGE NOTICES

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Water quality testing of Thomas West Pond program, update, deferred, date will be 5/21/2016.

Wildflower Garden, Anderson's on Delsea Drive – Status unknown.

Bat House Project, deferred.

EVENT CALENDAR

Open the Parks, date will be 3/19/2016 at 1 pm, at the perennial gardens.

CAPITAL PROJECTS

Suggestions for What's Green as per Mayor Welsh, newsletter from the commission can be inserted in any Boro publication. Alternate Commissioner Sills will check on the status of the Boro Newsletter.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Grants – no report

Membership – Chair Lovell continues to seek new membership.

Water Quality – Commissioner Adams , no report.

Infrastructure/Site Plan – Commissioner Bittner – no report.

Info Tech/Blog – K. Baker – no report.

PR/Materials Procurement – Commissioner Callaghan attempting to obtain educational materials for future events.

Community Advisory Panel – Commissioner Adams, CAP meets the 4th Wednesday of every month, at the West Deptford Library. A speakers schedule is available upon request. Advance notice is necessary for seating and dinner.

Education/Community Outreach – no report.

Training

ANJEC – Fundamentals for Effective Environmental Commissions will be held on 3/5/16, from 9 am to 1:30 pm at the West Deptford River Winds Community Center.

New Business

Gloucester County Bird Quest – Sat. 5/7/2016, 7 am until Noon. Authorization for \$100 sponsorship of Bird Quest 2016. Vote was motioned by Commissioner Callaghan, seconded by Commissioner Sills, unanimous approval by members.

Gloucester Co. Clean Communities Grant, Earth Day, Sat, 4/23/2016, 9 am – 2 pm requires 10 people to participate for 3 hours to pick up litter. Location will be West Deptford, Woodbury, National Park, Westville. Commission voted to participate, motion presented by Commissioner Adams, seconded by Sills. Approved.

PUBLIC AWARENESS & EDUCATIONAL PROJECTS FOR 2016 - suggestions for Green Westville BLOG, suggestions for What's Green, for insertion in Boro Newsletter, member and alternate member recommendations for Mayor Welsh.

COMMUNICATIONS

SJLWT – 2016 membership card & Triple Oaks Discount Card

Pinelands Nursery – 2016 catalog

PSE&G – Freshwater Wetlands Statewide General Permit #1 – to conduct maintenance and repair activity.

COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS – volunteer hours are due from members for 2014 and 2015.

NEXT MEETING – March 02, 2016

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 pm on a motion by Chair Lovell, seconded by Commissioner Sills.

Submitted by: Commissioner Lenore Adams 3/1/2016.