

BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

March 4, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

APPROVED

The Bedminster Township Environmental Commission held their regular meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Municipal Building, Main Meeting Room, One Miller Lane, Bedminster, NJ. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Chairman Jeffrey Leonard, Robbie Lert, Renee Mareski, Donald MacNab, Jane Martin, and R. Colin Hickey.

Commissioners Rodelius and Stappenbeck were absent, excused.

Liaison Cm Ken Olsen was also in attendance.

Meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Recognition of a quorum was followed by a reading by Chairman Jeffrey Leonard of the Open Public meetings Act as required by law.

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Bedminster Township Environmental Commission was sent to the Courier-News, Somerville; Bernardsville News, Bernardsville and to all subscribers and posted at the Township Municipal Building on January 8, 2015.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None.

CORRESPONDENCE: No actionable correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS: pending ANJEC Grant Application, River Road Park

Vice chair Lert had met with Robin Ray and John Mantz for several hours and had gathered a plethora of information which was presented to the commission for discussion and review and as this application includes additional requirements by the grantor. Included in review which was participated in by all: large scale map on loan from Robin Ray; volunteer and employee hours spreadsheet prepared by Robin Ray; design construction as per Robin Ray and John Mantz. Commissioner Hickey verified the commission would have \$445 available additional funds if necessary.

It was agreed that the best use of the grant monies, if received, would be to connect two parts of one trail-in-progress that is not now traversable due to a wetlands depression between the two parts and that this could be solved with a removable footbridge. Chairman Leonard will complete the application.

The commission also discussed language for plaques for two town owned stands to be placed in River Road Park.

Cm Olsen will review ideas for the plaques and comment at a future date.

On a motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Mareski, it was voted to proceed for the stands and the footbridge in river Road Park subsequent to the prior review and approval of Township Administration and receiving the grant. Roll call vote. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS: Election of Vice Chair, Green Team for Sustainable Jersey.

On a motion by Green Team Chair Lert, seconded by Jane Martin, Commissioner Donald MacNab was nominated and voted Vice Chair of Green Team for Sustainable Jersey. All in favor.

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner MacNab gave the Green Team report which included the plan for this year's re-certification with Sustainable Jersey.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:35 pm on motion made by Commissioner Martin and seconded by Commissioner Mareski.

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Lert
Vice Chair