

The regular meeting of the Delaware Township Environmental Commission was held on the noted date, in the Delaware Township Municipal Building, 570 Rosemont Ringoes Road (County Route 604), Sergeantsville, New Jersey. Chair Szwed opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

STATEMENT

Chair Szwed read a statement noting that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly transmitted to the Hunterdon County Democrat, Trenton Times, and Star Ledger, posted on the Delaware Township bulletin board, posted on the Township website, and on file at Town Hall, all on January 17, 2019.

Roll Call

Present: Regular Members: John Kafarski, Kathy Katz, Kathy Klink, Roger Locandro,
Susan Lockwood, Rich Mongelli, Tony Szwed
Alternates: Donna Dahringer, Alternate I, Mary Anne Royal, Alternate II
Advisors: Joe Kucowski, Alan Scott

Absent: shown by strikethroughs

Minutes: July 17, 2019

The minutes of the noted meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. Member Locandro made a motion to approve the minutes for discussion. Member Katz seconded the motion. The minutes were approved as presented. Said motion was approved by voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Penn East Pipeline – S. Lockwood
Not present

Site Inspection Committee – K. Klink
None

Clean Communities – K. Klink

Member Klink noted that the River Clean Up is this Saturday, September 21, 2019. She noted that many people have signed up, but that there is always room for more.

Recycling – K. Klink
No report

Planning Board – K. Katz

Member Katz noted that the Planning Board will be discussing possible changes to Easement monitoring to include maintenance. She noted that the Ordinance Review Committee will be discussing this first with a proposal submitted to the Planning Board. She also noted there are two ordinance changes that involve simple language change. It was noted that one can be considered a typographical error and does not involve the full ordinance change process.

Member Klink reported that per Board Attorney Goodell, the second ordinance change should go through the full ordinance change process. The second change involves the addition of a zone to an ordinance section, requiring the full ordinance change process.

Member Katz also reported on an application for a boundary line adjustment. She noted that the application was given conditional approval.

Open Space Committee – S. Lockwood

No report

Stormwater Management – S. Lockwood

No report

Easement Monitoring – R. Mongelli/J. Kafarski

No report

Schools – K. Klink

No report

Grants – K. Klink

No report

Website – J. Kafarski

Member Kafarski noted that there was a subcommittee meeting on this topic. He noted that the meeting included Members Royal and Klink. He presented a summary of what the website could look like. The Commission decided that the next step would be for the subcommittee to meet with the website coordinator, Kevin Eberly.

OLD BUSINESS

- a. Sign up for participation dates – please check your calendars
- b. Bluebird box sales

Member Klink reported that the sales total is 18 boxes; the total collected to date is \$1,390.00, with some donations.

- c. Well Testing date

Member Katz reported on the timeline for the well testing. She noted that the Talk will follow the meeting, with kits available for sale. She noted that there will be sales at the Farmer's Market on Saturday, September 21 and sales at the Township Building on the following Tuesday and Wednesday, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., and again on Wednesday evening from 5 to 7 p.m. She noted that the return date for the samples is Thursday, September 27, from 7:00 am to 9:00 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Review Budget request for mowing

Member Klink reported that the White Oak Trail was mowed by T&T and that the invoice was presented for \$1,800.00. She stated that she has been in contact with T&T to try to get the invoice reduced to \$1,500.00. Member Locandro made a motion to approve payment up to \$1,800.00. Member Katz seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kafarski, Katz, Klink, Locandro, Lockwood, Royal, Szwed

Nay: None

Absent: Lockwood, Mongelli, Dahringer

- b. Well Testing Speaker

“Why Test Your Well?” by Mara Tippet of Raritan Headwaters Association

It was noted that there were 21 residents in attendance, including the EC members.

c. Garbage survey information

Member Klink presented the data that she has collected to date from homeowners about their garbage collection. She noted that the 53 homeowners responded that their hauler is Republic; 7 use LMR; and 4 use Cortese. She noted that she will continue collecting data and then present the information to the Township Committee.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

There were no comments or questions from the public.

MEETING OPENED TO THE COMMISSION FOR COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

Chair Szwed and Member Royal reported that the School Meadow Trail has won an award from ANJEC. It was noted that the presentation will be on October 4 at Mercer County Community College. Member Klink reported that she will find out how many members can attend at the reduced rate. Members were asked to respond if they want to attend.

NEXT MEETING: October 16, 2019

The Environmental Commission will next meet on the noted date at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:25 p.m.

It was moved, seconded, and unanimously carried to adjourn at the noted time.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen E. Klink, Secretary

SCHEDULED EVENTS

2019 Towpath Trek, March 16, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; meet at Bull's Island

K. Klink

2019 – 34 adults, 5 children; 44 bags trash, 49 bags recycling, 2 bags scrap metal
2 metal posts, 1 desk, construction cone, 2 each – air mattress, blow-up raft
1 mail box in concreted milk can

2018 – 16 adults, 3 children; 15 bags trash, 10 bags recycling (no plastic)
1 steel sign post, 1 metal pole, 1 muffler, 2 rolls of wire

2019 – Tree Recovery Campaign – distribute 750 free trees, bundles of 5

K. Klink

April 10 – 4:30 to 7:00 pm – KK, Alan Scott, Mary Anne Royal

2019 Clean Up Days, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m., members needed for assistance

April 27 – John Kafarski, Rich Mongelli - 53 permits collected, steady flow of traffic

June 15 – Mongelli Family – Rich, Grace, John, 33 permits

October 19 –

2019 Waterway Clean Up, April 13, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

K. Klink –

2019 – 16 participants, 7 bags trash, 10 bags recycling
1 stove, 2 rugs, 1 tire, 1 tarp

2018 – 12 participants; 6 bags of trash; 4 bags recycling; 4 pipes;
1 rusted cart (like a hand truck) with 2 wheels; 3 sign/fence posts

2019 Shredder Days, 8:00 to 11:00 a.m.

May 18, K.Klink – 43 participants – same day as Townwide Yard Sale

May, 2018 – 48 participants (2017 - 68 participants)

September 14, K.Klink –

September, 2018 – 46 participants (2017 - 47 participants)

2019 River Clean Up, September 21, 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.; meet at Bull's Island or Kingwood Boat Launch - K. Klink,

2018 – 90 participants; 53 bags of trash; 35 bags recycling; 1 bag scrap recycling

2019 March on Litter – October 12, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

K.Klink

2018 – 58 participants; 11.1 miles cleaned; 18 bags trash; 6 bags recycling; 1 tire

2017 – 80 participants; 18 bags of trash, 6 bags recycling, 6 tires, 1 TV, 1 table

2019 White Oak Trail Day, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. , Meet on Quarry Road

K. Klink

2019 Planning Board inspection committee for pending applications

Also to be used for Easement Monitoring, per item #3, Delaware Township Planning Board Annual Meeting Notice Resolution, #01-2017.

January 13	February 10	March 10
April 14	May 12	June 9
July 14	August 11 – Block 17, Lots 21 and 11 – boundary line adjustment	September 8
October 13	November 10	December 8