

The regular meeting of the Delaware Township Environmental Commission was held on the noted date in the Delaware Township Municipal Building, 570 Rosemont Ringoes Rd. (County Road 604), Sergeantsville, New Jersey; Chair Szwed opened the meeting at 6:39 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 March 2, 2023.

Roll Call

Present: Regular Members: John Kafarski, Kathy Katz, ~~Roger Locandro~~,
Tony Szwed, Susan Lockwood (6:57 pm), Mary Anne Royal

Alternates: ~~Deb Polay, Alternate I, Josh Goldman, Alternate II~~

Advisors: ~~Rich Mangelli~~, Karen Peters, Diana Garibaldi,
Devin Cornia

Absent: Shown by ~~strikethrough~~

Minutes: Minutes May 17, 2023

The minutes of the noted meeting were distributed prior to the meeting. Member Katz made a motion to approve the minutes for discussion. Member Szwed seconded the motion. The minutes were discussed and with zero corrections were approved. Said motion was approved by voice vote.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Planning Board/Site Inspection - K. Katz

Member Katz reported the walkability assessment with goHunterdon scheduled for June 22, 2023 has been rescheduled to July 18, 2023. They plan to cover the area on Rosemont Ringoes Rd (604) from the Delaware Township Elementary School to the Sergeantsville United Methodist Church, and Sergeantsville Road (523) from Bagel Barn to the Sergeantsville Grain and Feed.

Clean Communities - S. Lockwood.

Nothing new to report.

Open Space - S. Lockwood, K. Katz

Nothing new to report.

Easements - K. Katz

Nothing new to report.

Schools - S. Lockwood

Member Lockwood reported the new roof will be completed by September 2023.

Grants - K. Katz, D. Polay

Sustainable NJ Grant: Member Katz reported the following:

- A memo was submitted to all the boards in the Township seeking feedback on what type of information to include.
- Thank you letters were sent out to (1) DT School Green Team (2) Girl Scouts and (3) NJ Conservation for their support.
- The grant information and list for feedback was posted on the DT web-site and Facebook. As of this meeting no feedback received.
- Currently working on the master list spreadsheet and expect to complete by end of month.

Website - J. Kafarski

Member Kafarski noted the Sustainable NJ Grant information has been uploaded to the website, as well as the bio for Mary Anne Royal.

Stormwater Management - S. Lockwood

Member Lockwood noted they have not yet decided what the SW grant will be used for.

Projects

Presentation "Gardening with Wildlife", by Lisa Parent- will be held Wednesday June 21, at 7:30 pm, directly after the Environmental Commission meeting.

Old Business

Discussion about EC Secretary- no updates.

White Oak Trail maintenance-

- Member Kafarski noted DPW is targeting a date this summer to brush hog and clean up the trail. For next year, they would like to target clean up earlier in the season.

Dilts Park Master Plan- Chair Szwed reviewed the Van Cleef park planner proposal, shared by Mayor Herman, with the committee. He noted at this time rebuilding the tennis courts remain the priority.

New Business

No new business to report.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC FOR COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

Robert McEwan, the Township Supervisor from Solebury, PA asked if he could present at our July 19, 2023 meeting, to introduce a new tributaries expansion program, explain the value and get our endorsement to add our creeks, rivers and streams for congressional designation. Prior to the meeting, Robert will share the materials with Chair Szwed and member Kafarski who will review then confirm this as an agenda item.

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There were no further comments from members of the Commission.

NEXT MEETING: July 19, 2023

The Environmental Commission will next meet on the noted date at 7:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT: 7:29 pm

Member Katz made a motion to adjourn; member Kafarski seconded the motion.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Garibaldi