

Metuchen Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes – July 17, 2013

2013 Month	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	SEP	OCT	NOV
Day	16	20	20	17	15	19	17	18	16	20
M. Herzberg, Chair	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
D. Rasmussen, Liaison	P	P	P	P	P	P	P			
A. Dohl	M	M	P	A	P	P	A			
B. Strom	P	A	P	P	A	A	P			
J. Schaffer	P	P	P	P	A	P	M			
D. Nelson	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T. Rudel	P	P	M	M	P	A	P			
B. Weeks	A	P	P	P	M	M	P			
D. Hirsh, Planning Bd.	P	P	A	P	P	P	P			

Key: P=Present, A=Absent, M= Minutes Assigned/Taken

Meeting started at 7PM, Second Floor Break Room in Borough Hall

Visitor: None

The minutes of the June 2013 meeting were presented and accepted.

Correspondence:

From the NJDEP Bulletin:

1. Notice of Freshwater Wetlands application for the Gulton Site.
2. E-mail from Bill Boerth regarding Sustainable Jersey Small Grants

Eagle Scout Project:

1. Dorothy, Bill Boerth, and DPW (Fred) met with Nikoli regarding next steps

Middlesex Greenway:

1. Meeting with Gulton (Dorothy and Bill Boerth)
 - a. Requested Borough designate this area for redevelopment.
 - b. Gulton seemed to ask the Borough to take some responsibility for the site.
 - c. Gulton has 18 months of environmental remediation left to complete
 - d. Gulton wants the County to purchase the parcel as open space.
2. St. Joseph's parcel
 - a. Borough not making a tax sale on this parcel
 - b. Associated with Woodsbrook Development stormwater management
 - c. Pond became a flood area. Remaining property deeded to another corporation.
3. October Fair: Dismal Swamp Commission to host or share a booth with EV Commission.

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4. Edison Wetlands Association (EWA) Grant: EWA wants EV Commission to put out an RFP for the Dismal Swamp identification and survey work and award money based on that RFP.
5. County Mosquito Commission wants to meet and coordinate with the EV Commission

Sustainable Jersey:

1. Highland Park got a grant to prepare a Green Community Plan
2. Change to funding program: Certain grants are awarded to communities that are certified through the Sustainable Jersey program. A green team is required for a municipality to apply for a grant.
3. Potential grant for recycling enforcement or education
4. 1st cycle deadline August 4th. 2nd cycle deadline in September/October
5. Ideas for Grants:
 - a. Environmental Resource Inventory
 - b. Tree Farm or Planting
 - c. Improvements to Trailhead Park
 - d. Drainage study/telemetry (needs a defined end product)
 - e. Bike-Walk
 - f. Edison Wetlands Grant Application

Planning Board:

One subdivision downtown for fusing lots

The meeting adjourned about 9:30PM

Respectively Submitted,

Joseph Schaffer

Submitted to Borough Clerk electronically via kharris@metuchen.com