

Minutes
Environmental Commission Meeting
Township of Monroe

June 20th, 2016

The Meeting of the Monroe Township Environmental Protection Commission was called to order by Chairperson Sandy Keen in the 2nd Floor Board of Health Meeting Room of the Municipal Complex at 7:07PM

Roll Call

Present: Sandy Keen, Jenn Longo, Frank Caligiuri

ABSENT

Patrick McDevitt, Beth Davis, Tim McWilliams, Jenn Lewis Gallagher, Aden Maskery

PLEDGE

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Minutes from previous meeting were NOT accepted due to incomplete board

PUBLIC ATTENDANCE

Eileen Ferguson

PUBLIC PORTION

INFORMAL MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC PORTION Eileen Ferguson is from the BOH. She stated that they had a full house at their last meeting. They had a brochure/flyer and it was successful. Thought we should do one.

Eileen questioned our alliance with school district; Sandy went over the WMS Environ. Club and how it will be expanding to the elementary schools to be used in classrooms.

Eileen questioned our education of general public; Sandy suggested a public forum at WMS or WHS auditorium.

Eileen questioned the responsibility of each team member; Sandy went over each members specialty and how they all work together.

Eileen questioned our website; Sandy explained that it is in the works.

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Sandy Keen

Welcome to our 2 NEW members Aden Maskery (absent) and Margie Neal (absent)

Green Ribbons program still trying to implement in elementary schools by September. DECA students from WHS will do the classroom audits.

Tim McWilliams took a position with US Forestry

Storm basin~ Township takes care of these. US Fish & Wildlife contracted township to turn into Eco Basins. This was a 10 yr contract. Basins at WMS used for education purposes. Tim will be able to address tree removal and control at a later date.

State testing of streams is going well.

Pinelands~Pinelands doing a reassessment of water usage.

Studies, grants , research with CDC, It was up to Town Council to look into this and take action for the residents of Monroe.

Power Point Presentation~4H Sandy is putting together PP for grants and funding from Township/County for wells & ADA Bathrooms. Cheerleaders & Boy Scouts are using property. This is also being used for educational purposes. Connect 4H to school programs. This need to be able to use for recreational purposes once it is done. Education~ Need to educate students and community about forestry.

Frank Caligiuri

Main Street Development~ Library being demolished, New Council members (all good people), They are aiming to make Main Street like and Olde Time Main Street, Towne Center

Crystal Lake~(contaminated) water and sewer infrastructure to be done. Lake is now storm water and underground fed.

Storm Basins~Issue with basins. In some areas is that basins are not working correctly, others are on a high water table causing problems.

Pinelands/Water usage~Developers cannot be denied water usage from township. Township buys water from Glassboro. To justify water lines township had to buy water, which allows the MUA to 60% capacity. Pressure issues-so township had to build pumping station.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Sandy Keen informally motioned to adjourn the Monroe Township Environmental Protection Commission Meeting on April 18th, 2016 at 8:20PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jenn Longo, Secretary

These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the hand written and audio taped notes of the Regular Environmental Protection Meeting of June 20th, 2016 and serve as only a synopsis of the proceedings.

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