

# **CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

**JANUARY 26, 2016**

The Secretary called the meeting of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission to order at 7:30PM. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read and compliance noted.

Present Elise Bremer-Nei, Alex Robotin, Nancy Scarafile, Martha Veselka, Karl Braun  
Absent: Jane Ryan and F. Gerry Spence.

## **OATHS OF OFFICE**

Oath of Office was taken by Mr. Robotin and Ms. Veselka.

## **MEETING DATES**

The meeting dates for 2016 were approved for the fourth Tuesday of each month with the exception of December which will be on the second Tuesday at 6:30, on a motion by Mr. Robotin, seconded by Mr. Braun. All were in favor.

### **TOWNSHIP OF CHESTERFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

#### **NOTICE OF 2016 SCHEDULED MEETINGS**

The following is a list of the regular meetings of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission for 2016. All such meetings are to be held the fourth Tuesday of each month, with the exception of December held on the second Tuesday. All meetings will be held a 7:30PM with the exception of December held at 6:30PM at the Municipal Building, 300 Bordentown-Chesterfield Road, Chesterfield, New Jersey.

February 23, 2016	August 23, 2016
March 22, 2016	September 27, 2016
April 26, 2016	October 25, 2016
May 24, 2016	November 22, 2016
June 28, 2016	December 13, 2016
July 26, 2016	January 24, 2017 (Reorganization)

Aggie Napoleon  
Environmental Commission Secretary

## **NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIR**

The secretary asked for nominations for Chairperson. Mr. Braun nominated Ms. Scarafile; Mr. Robotin seconded the nomination. As there were no further nominations, nominations were closed. All were in favor.

## **NOMINATIONS FOR VICE CHAIR**

Chairperson Scarafile asked for nominations for Vice Chair. Mr. Robotin nominated Ms. Ms. Veselka, Mr. Braun seconded the nomination. As there were no further nominations, nominations were closed. All were in favor.

## **MINUTES**

December 8, 2015

A motion was made by Ms. Scarafile seconded by Ms. Veselka to approve the December 8, 2015 meeting minutes. All were in favor with the exception of Ms. Bremer-Nei, Mr. Braun and Mr. Robotin who abstained, motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Arbor Day Flyer

## **PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS**

Domanski – The board discussed the application and a memo will be sent. It is suggested that in lieu of Green Giant Arborvitae the applicant should plant either White Pine, Douglas Fir or Norway Spruce as Arborvitae do not have a spread that is sufficient to adequately close gaps between the Leyland Cypress. Additionally, the configuration of the burm should be extended south 20 feet beyond the front yard setback to provide additional screening along the driveway.

## **DISCUSSION**

Annual Events Planned (Arbor Day/Community Events)

Ms. Bremer-Nei will order the free tress for the 4<sup>th</sup> graders. She will get Smokey the Bear and also a guest speaker for Arbor Day. An option might be to get the Pinelands Preservation Alliance as the guest speaker. A poster contest was also a suggestion.

2016 NJ Tree Recovery Program

Mr. Ryan will get the seedlings for the Tree Recovery Program.

ANJEC Dues

A Motion was made by Mr. Braun second by Mr. Robotin to approve the dues of \$300.00 along with the workshop dues of \$60.00. All were in favor, motion carried.

NJ Shade Tree Federation Dues

The secretary stated that the annual members due fee is 95.00 for 5 members and \$25.00 for each additional member, therefore for 7 members the cost will be \$145.00.

A motion was made by Ms. Scarafile second by Ms. Bremer-Nei to approve the NJ Shade Tree Federation Dues. All in favor, motion carried.

### Opportunity for Volunteer Services

Ms. Scarafile suggested we reach out to the TCNJ College Students to see if they would be willing to help with the clean up around the Municipal grounds and also for Mergerum Road. Ms. Scarafile will apply to them and also will pick a date and at our next meeting will talk about it. Mr. Braun stated that Dan Wolverton expressed interest in doing the clean-up at Margerum Rd. Park for his Eagle Scout Project. Mr. Braun has not yet heard back from Mr. Ryder.

### **NOT ON THE AGENDA**

The board had a short discussion regarding the pipeline. Ms. Veselka informed the board the three Senators had send letters that they are against it so things are moving in the right directions. The pipeline committee sent out approx 4000 letters to the Freeholders. Letters were sent out to the residents inviting them to the forum meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Veselka second by Mr. Braun to cover the cost of the letters sent to the residents be taken from the EC budget. All were in favor, motion carried

Regarding the Green Fair, Ms. Scarafile will meet with Roger from Bordentown Twp in the near future. The Fair is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Scarafile suggested reaching out to all that helped out last year and give them a heads up. Ms. Scarafile will do some research in getting tents. It was stated that volunteers are needed from the Green Team to help with the Green Fair.

Ms. Scarafile will let the secretary know when the Green Team will be meeting.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion was made by Mr. Robotin second by Mr. Braun to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Aggie Napoleon, Secretary