

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

JUNE 24, 2014

Vice Chairperson Scarafile called the meeting of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission to order at 7:46 PM. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read and compliance noted.

Present: Elise Bremer-Nei, Nancy Scarafile, F. Gerry Spence (7:51), Michael Hlubik and Jane Ryan. Absent: Martha Veselka and Karl Braun

MINUTES

April 25, 2014

A motion was made by Ms. Scarafile seconded by Ms. Bremer-Nei to approve the April 25, 2014 meeting minutes. All were in favor with the exception of Mr. Hlubik and Ms. Ryan who abstained. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tree City USA Special Bulletin 12
Arbor Day May/June

PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION

Green Fair

The fair was very successful and it went well. It was mentioned that maybe we have a Green Fair here in Chesterfield and tie it in with another event, for example the Carnival or the Chesterfield Foundation. Something to think about for next year.

Tree Keeper Report

Jane reported that in her area which is the Township Municipal Complex that everything is healthy that has already been established. There is a lot of Mulberry toward Newbold Lane from the Municipal Building. Most of the pines are loaded with weeds and a lot of poison ivy, in order to get rid of it that the lower branches will need to be removed. 3 times as much weed killer would need to be sprayed to kill poison ivy. Mike stated he and Karl had looked at the park and the grass is somewhat ok, he recommends that if Magnolia trees just remove them and replace with grass. If any trees look really bad, remove them if they have growth then they should be pruned. When the Township met Caryn had taken notes and Greg will put some round up around them. The medium on Saddle Way is going to be removed because emergency vehicles cannot get through. The shrubs in front of the school have been pruned for safety of children crossing. There are

no bag worms and the trees are looking better. Some trees need to be removed and Mike will talk to Greg about that.

Sustainable Jersey

Ms. Joanne Hanuschik attended the meeting, she stated that she has had some background with Environmental Commission in the past and is interested in being a part of the Green Team. The board agreed to have the Green Team work on the Sustainable New Jersey Application which is due in November. The Green Team met on June 10th and decided to meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month starting in July and ending in October. They had 6 members attend and jobs have been divided and assigned. Most of the information needed is obtained from the computer using the drop down menus.

NOT ON THE AGENDA

No one has heard anything more on the Eagle Scout Project that Derek VanVeldehusen was working on.

Regarding the parking for access to the creek, Jerry stated that he and Karl will get all the facts on the clean up of the creek and the how you would be able to access the ramp and they will put something together for the Township Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Spence and seconded by Mr. Hlubik to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aggie Napoleon, Secretary