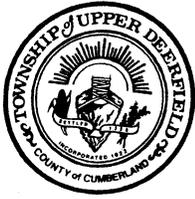


UPPER DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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The regular meeting of the Environmental Commission of the Township of Upper Deerfield was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, Seabrook, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order and the following Notice was read:

This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Commission Of the Township of Upper Deerfield. In compliance with the The Open Public Meetings Act and a schedule of regular meetings Containing the time and location and date of each meeting was Posted in the Municipal Building at Seabrook, New Jersey, which Notice has remained so posted throughout the year and copies of The regular meetings have been mailed to the South Jersey Times and filed with the Township Clerk in compliance with said Act.

Roll call was taken.

Those present were:

Members: Blake Maloney, Sandra Morrissey, Lynn Maun, Ken Lavine, Caroline Owens, Eileen Clark, and Alternates: William Waterman and Jack Waselik.

Members Absent: Steven Smith.

Staff: Secretary, Teresa Warburton., Liaisons: John T. O'Neill, and Bruce Peterson.

NEW BUSINESS

Reorganization

Meeting was turned over to secretary, Teresa Warburton to open nominations for Chairperson.

On motion of Ken Lavine, seconded by Lynn Maun to approve Chairman Blake Maloney, unanimously carried.

On motion of Eileen Clark, seconded by Caroline Owens to approve Vice Chairman Sandra Morrissey, unanimously carried.

Chairman – Blake Maloney
Vice Chairman – Sandra Morrissey

The Committee welcomed new Environmental Commission Member Jack Waselik.

On motion of Ken Lavine, seconded by Lynn Maun to approve the minutes of December 5, 2012, unanimously carried

On motion of Lynn Maun, seconded by Ken Lavine to approve the meeting dates for 2013.

1. Correspondence –

- a) Anjec Capitol Day – January 11, 2013 from 9:30am -12:30pm in Trenton if anyone would like to attend please let Teresa Warburton know so that we can get everyone registered.
- b) Bridgeton Bluffs Cleanup – is set for Saturday, January 19, 2013 at 8:30 am – Cawa is hosting the Bridgeton Bluffs cleanup and again Bridgeton High School groups, Cumberland Regional High School group and Hopewell School students will have some students participate in the cleanup of the surface trash and debris. There will be two teachers doing some soil samples and the Cumberland County Utilities Authority has offered **their** testing lab to conduct the sampling of the soil. The Cumberland County Improvement Authority will accept the boat **that is on the clean up** site for free disposal and they will also pick up the bags of debris on Monday. Volunteers are needed if **anyone** is interested in helping.
- c) Draft resolution for supporting sustainable state funding for preservation and stewardship of open space, parks, farmland and historic sites in New Jersey, **is being** forwarded to Township committee with Environmental Commission recommendation of supporting this green acres program.

2. Legislative Issues

- a) William Waterman – **no new updates at this time.** .
- b) **Sandy Morrissey** reported that nine **N.J.** newly elected legislators are environmentally friendly

3. Workshops/Goals

- a) Workshop committee – **Sandy Morrissey reported that the committee is still working on a workshop list for 2013. Please contact committee members (Caroline and Lynn) with your suggestions. The committee is meeting on January 16th.**
- b) Goals for 2013-On motion of Lynn Maun seconded by Ken Lavine to approve and adopt goals for 2013 **with corrections.** unanimously carried.

4. Zone Updates-**Blake Maloney discussed the matter of eliminating assigned zones to commission members. Due to the fact that we have had several changes in members and everyone drives throughout the township , the commission should consider eliminating specific zones assigned to specific committee members. Instead of “Zone Updates” as the Agenda item, the new item for the Agenda could be “Environmental Concerns.” This item will be tabled to our February meeting.**

5. Committee Reports

- a) Planning board/Zoning Board – No Report.
- b) Recreation Commission – Reorganization meeting was held on January 7, 2013 a new member Danny Grusemeyer from Midget Football was appointed to Recreation Commission. Things are quiet in recreation as the leagues are gearing up for spring sessions. The leagues are currently working on compiling counts for township residents and out of town residents that attend the Upper Deerfield Leagues, and the commission is considering contacting the out of town municipalities to get them to contribute to Upper Deerfield Township leagues to help offset some costs for their players.
- c) Economic Development – No Report.
- d) Open Space Advisory Committee – No Report.
- e) Cohansey Area Watershed Association – Blake reported that Gillian Schwert the Cumberland/Salem Watershed Ambassador and Jessica Dare from the New Jersey Littoral Society went on the radio show for CAWA to help with Environmental Education. CAWA is currently still working on non profit status. CAWA now has a face book page to help with notifications to the membership. CAWA is still in need of more members from Bostwick Lake to Cohansey River and will be hosting cleanups, membership drives, etc. for 2013 projects. CAWA meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at 10 am at the Sheppard House **which are** open to **the public and** everyone is welcome to attend. Meeting dates will be posted on face book for 2013.

6. Unfinished Business –

- a. Outdoor Wood Boiler – the applicant has obtained an attorney and has requested that the **hearing** be postponed to a later date.
- b. Annual Report discussion – Sandy Morrissey will prepare **the 2012** annual report.
- c.

Review & Status of Development Application

LL Transportation dba Papco, LLC Block 2501 Lot 8.02 – No Comment.

Calvin, Carolyn, & Ilene Mason – Block 2802 Lot 5 – see attached review letter.

Member's Comments

Blake Maloney – thanked the commission for their support and dedication to the commission. Welcomed Jack Waselik to the commission.

Public Comments

Gillian Schwert – Water shed ambassador asked if someone could explain what **is** community day? Ms. Schwert expressed that she would also like to participate in Community Day.

Tom Connelly – resident commented that Papco was recently increasing the size of their building and on the east side of the building the wall packs are the worst kind of lighting you can get and really puts off a lot of pollution which does not comply with the new lighting ordinance.

Layne Ball – resident asked if the boat to be removed from the Bridgeton bluffs **on** cleanup **day** is far off of the roadway.

There being no further business to come before the Board on motion of Ken Lavine, seconded by William Waterman to adjourn at 8:45 pm, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Warburton
Secretary