

STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular Meeting

March 14, 2024

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:40 PM by Owen Newson with flag salute.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE: In compliance with the New Jersey Assembly Bill No. 1030, notice for this meeting was sent to the *New Jersey Herald* and the *Daily Record* on January 11, 2024 and was posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on the same day.

ROLL CALL: Present: **Nicole Member (8:00)**, Owen Newson, Rudy Shlesinger,
John Rogalo, Rick Jacob
Absent: Michael Balogh, Anthony Riccardi

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The February 8, 2024 minutes were approved.

Motion made by Rick Jacob and seconded by Rudy Shlesinger (UC)

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

2/25/24 Ellen Horak, Clerk: Copy of borough resolution supporting CBT to fund open space, farmland, historic preservation, hazardous site cleanup funding.

Sent:

None

Correspondence received: motion by John Rogalo and second by Rick Jacob. (UC)

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

New EC member, Rick Jacob, was sworn in receiving the Oath of Allegiance and Office.

ANJEC Grant: Owen reported that there has been no response from Millenium to our ANJEC grant request. Owen will follow up with Millenium.

MSA Field Trip: No movement. It was discussed that maybe the field trip is best for adults.

Sussex County Grant implementation: No movement

Green Team: No movement.

Clean Communities: Sunday, April 21, 2024, 1-3 PM No movement.

Facebook: Topic for Month: Will remain the same as last month.

Open Space Plan Committee: No movement.

Trail Maintenance: Nicole will resubmit to Finance Comm. tool list purchase order.

Trex Recycling: No movement.

MWA/Musconetcong River Management Council: No movement.

OLD BUSINESS:

Furnace Pond Park/Permitting: John will walk with Zoning Officer at the Tannery to double check property lines. John feels boundary violations have been committed.

Lakeside Park plantings: EC needs more native plants. Hopefully ANJEC grant will provide monies.

Lutheran Church Trail easement: No movement.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

BILLS:

None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health:

Mayor and Council: The possible demolition of the Stanhope House was discussed.

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society: Owen is trying to find out how much money the Society has in its bank account. He would like the society to grant Friends of Furnace Pond monies for native plant purchase.

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission: Nicole Member is now an alternate member of commission.

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

Friends of Furnace Pond:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40PM with a motion by John Rogalo and a second by Rudy Shlesinger. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,
Owen Newson, Secretary