

Approved 12/11/25  


**STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

Minutes: Regular Meeting

November 13, 2025

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** by Nicole Member, at 7:35pm, 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 9, 2025 and was posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on the same day.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Nicole Member, Owen Newson, Rick Jacob  
John Rogalo, Anthony Riccardi, Rudy Shlesinger  
Absent: None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The October 9, 2025 minutes were approved.

Motion made by Rick Jacob and seconded by Owen Newson (MC)

Abstained: John Rogalo, Rudy Shlesinger, Anthony Riccardi

**OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Received:**

10/16/25 Sussex County Div. of Planning and Econ. Dev.: Trails Grant Program

10/19/25 Elizabeth Ritter, ANJEC: Payment for 2025 Open Space Stewardship Grant

10/27/25 Ellen Horak, Clerk: 2025 Annual Attendance Report.

**Sent:**

None

**CURRENT ACTIVITY:**

**2025 Sussex County Trails Grant Program:** The EC decided not to apply this year due to our ongoing involvement in the completion of the awarded ANJEC grant.

**ANJEC Grant 2025:** Our second work day is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1-3pm. Rain date: Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>.

**2022 Sussex County Grant implementation:** No movement.

**MSA Field Trip:** No movement.

**Green Team:** No movement.

**Clean Communities:** 3/29/26 No movement.

**Facebook: Topic for Month:** Advertise ANJEC grant work event- invasive removal: 11/23/25 at 1PM.

**Open Space Plan Committee:** No movement.

**Trail Maintenance:** No movement.

**Trex Recycling:** No movement.

**Youth EC members:** Anthony will check regarding ordinance changes with Council.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Furnace Pond Park/Permitting:** Discussion was held regarding the Tannery and their playground. EC is adamant that a fence be erected to protect and mark borough property and the potential trail connecting Salmon Park with the Canal Slip.

**Lakeside Park plantings:** No movement.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

None.

**BILLS:**

None

**LIAISON REPORTS:**

Board of Health:

Mayor and Council:

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Land Use Board: *ADG Amity Road LLC. Block: 10105 / Lot 12*

*John stated that the application was deemed incomplete by Land Use Board. EC did not review.*

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

MWA/Musconetcong River Management Council:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission:

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

Friends of Furnace Pond:

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm with a motion from Owen Newson and a second by Anthony Riccardi. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,  
Owen Newson, Secretary