VIRONMENTAL COMMISSION COL

STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular Meeting September 12, 2024

STANHOPE BOROUGH

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:32PM 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 (7:55), Owen Newson, Rudy Shlesinger,

Anthony Riccardi, John Rogalo

Absent: Michael Balogh, Rick Jacob

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The July 11, 2024 minutes were approved. (no August meeting) Motion made by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by Rudy Shlesinger (MC) Abstention: John Rogalo

### **OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

None

### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Received:

7/18/24 ANJEC/Elizabeth Ritter: Grant application 8/2/24 CFO Angelica Sabatini: 2025 Budget request

Sent:

7/17/24 Mayor Gene Wronko: Open Space Plan inquiry

7/17/24 Land Use Board/Ellen Horak: EC response to LaIacoma variance

### **CURRENT ACTIVITY:**

ANJEC Grant: Owen stated that ANJEC has officially communicated that we did not win grant that was submitted.

**2025 Budget request:** Owen submitted the 2025 budget to Angelica. There are no changes from 2024.

MSA Field Trip: Owen suggested the Scouts might be interested in this field trip. Owen will contact local Scouts and provide Anthony's number.

Sussex County Grant implementation: No movement

Green Team: No movement

Clean Communities: Owen will email Angelica, Brian, and Jason Titsworth with the quote for the shed we have selected to see the next steps that need to be taken for actual purchase.

# **CURRENT ACTIVITY (Cont.):**

Facebook: Topic for Month: Anthony will post something on mosquito control.

Open Space Plan Committee: John volunteered to be on the committee with Nicole.

Owen will notify mayor.

Trail Maintenance: No movement Trex Recycling: No movement.

MWA/Musconetcong River Management Council: No movement.

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Furnace Pond Park/Permitting: Anthony informed EC that the Tannery is suing the Land Use Board over their home school ruling.

Lakeside Park plantings: Owen said that the Scouts are interested in a service project. The EC suggested finishing the native planting beds at Lakeside Park with border stones and mulch. Owen will contact Scouts.

Lutheran Church Trail easement: No movement.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

None

#### BILLS:

None

### LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health:

Mayor and Council: Anthony reported the Borough has purchased a new street leaf vacuum machine.

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board: Rudy reported that the new harvester machine has arrived.

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission: Nicole reported that Ron Farr has retired from consultant work. Also, new trees have been planted on Dell Road.

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

Friends of Furnace Pond: Owen reported that Jake Hamilton is the new Superintendent at Lake Hopatcong State Park.

# ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted, Owen Newson, Secretary