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STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular Meeting
September 9, 2021

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:36PM by Mike Balogh 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 14, 2021 and was posted on the bulletin board in the municipal building on the same day.

ROLL CALL: Present: Rudy Shlesinger, Owen Newson, Mike Balogh
Nicole Member
Absent: John Rogalo, Anthony Riccardi

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

August 12, 2021 minutes were approved. Motion made by Owen Newson and seconded by Rudy Shlesinger. Abstain: Mike Balogh (MC)

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

None

Sent:

None

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

2022 Budget: The 2022 EC budget was approved with a motion by Mike Balogh and a second by Nicole Member. (UC) There were three changes from the 2021 budget. Outdoor supplies went from \$0 in 2021 to \$200 in 2022. Professional Services went from \$2000 in 2021 to \$400 in 2022. The Education line item which had \$0 budgeted in 2021 was dropped for 2022. Total budget for 2022 was \$1450

EC Project Ideas for Grants: So far: Restore bridge at Foot; Native plantings at basketball courts; Riparian buffers; Fencing behind Tannery, DEP permits for Furnace Pond Park. The EC requested that Owen send an email to Millenium listing the above grant ideas as interests the EC would like Millenium to be on the outlook for and pursue.

Green Team: No movement

Clean Communities: April 24, 2022. No movement

Facebook: Topic for Month: Spotted Lantern Fly. Nicole will contact Brian.

Open Space Plan Committee: No movement

CURRENT ACTIVITY: (Cont.)

Trail Maintenance: Nov. 7, 2021. The EC would like to focus on the trail next to the basketball courts running to the river. Members will walk trail and evaluate the maintenance needs. We will then communicate needs to Brian.

Trex Recycling: Nicole will speak to the LVRHS Go Green Club and see if they would like to participate in the next 6-month round of the Trex program.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Park plantings: This month, the EC will meet at Lakeside Park on Sunday, September 26 at 4:00PM to dig out the grass from another planting bed so it may be mulched.

Furnace Pond Trails/DEP approval:

No movement

Invasive Plant Species workshop:

No movement

Lutheran Church easement:

No movement.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

BILLS:

None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health: Minutes: 6/9/21 No comment

Mayor and Council:

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission: Owen stated that he contacted Paula Murphy of Shade Tree to alert the commission that the new state champion on NJ's Big Tree List for a Norway Maple was located in his backyard: 8 Kelly Place.

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:36PM with a motion by Nicole Member and a second by Owen Newson. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,
Owen Newson, Secretary