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STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Minutes: Regular Meeting
June 10, 2021

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MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 7:42PM by Nicole Member 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: John Rogalo, Rudy Shlesinger, Owen Newson,
Nicole Member
Absent: Michael Balogh, Anthony Riccardi

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 13, 2021 minutes were approved. Motion made by John Rogalo and seconded by Rudy Shlesinger. Abstention: Owen Newson (MC)

OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

Received:

Email/ANJEC: Elizabeth Ritter: Grant denied

Sent:

None

CURRENT ACTIVITY:

EC Project Ideas for Grants: Restore bridge at Foot; Native plantings at basketball courts; Riparian buffers; Fencing behind Tannery.

Green Team: No movement

Clean Communities: Next year's clean-up day is scheduled for April 24, 2022.

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

Open Space Plan Committee: No movement

Trail Maintenance: Maintenance day is scheduled for Nov. 7, 2021. The EC received notice that we were denied the ANJEC grant for which we applied. The grant we applied for was to restore the storm water runoff damage at the trail head of the Tri-Community Trail.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lakeside Park plantings:

Discussion was held on how to improve the embankment area of the Enrite property next to the park. Owen will see if he can speak with owners. Plantings look to be in good shape. The EC will meet at Lakeside Park on Thursday, June 17 at 7:00PM to dig out the grass from the planting beds so they may be mulched.

Furnace Pond Trails/DEP approval/NJDCA: Local Recreation Improvement Grant:
No movement.

Invasive Plant Species workshop:

The EC agreed that Nicole would lead an educational hike on invasives at Furnace Pond on Sunday, August 22, 2021 at 1PM

Lutheran Church easement:

No movement.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nicole reported that she met Robert Delpizzo of the Mt. Olive Environmental Commission. They discussed the former cooperative grant received by Mt. Olive and Stanhope years ago and why Stanhope never benefited from the grant. He invited her to their next meeting. Nicole is contemplating attending. Nicole also reported that the Sussex County Trail Partnership uses the Pannier Sign Company to design their trail signage. The EC could use this company for our trail signage in the future.

The EC agreed to enter the Trex Recycling program in an effort to receive a park bench from recycled materials. We need to collect plastic bags and turn them in to Trex. A motion was made by Owen Newson and seconded by Rudy Shlesinger to proceed with the program. (UC)

BILLS:

None

LIAISON REPORTS:

Board of Health

Mayor and Council:

Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:

Rudy stated that the weed harvester is being fixed. Also, herbicide has been applied to treat Water Chestnuts out in the Port Morris section of the lake.

Land Use Board:

Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:

Musconetcong Sewage Authority:

Recreation Commission:

Shade Tree Commission:

Plaster Mill:

Water Quality:

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM with a motion by John Rogalo and a second by Owen Newson. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,

Owen Newson, Secretary

