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**STANHOPE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

**Minutes: Regular Meeting  
July 12, 2018**

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**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** at 7:47PM by Vice-Chairperson 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 11, 2018 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building on the same day.

**ROLL CALL:** Present: Nicole Member, Owen Newson, Anthony Riccardi,  
Absent: Michael Balogh, John Rogalo

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

June 14, 2018 minutes were approved. Motion made by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by Owen Newson (UC)

**OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION:**

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

**Received:**

6/18 Bowman Consulting: Notice of NJDEP Application

7/11 SCMUA: Notice of E-Waste collection event

Summer 2018 *Skylands Visitor Magazine*

**Sent:**

None

**CURRENT ACTIVITY:**

Discussion was held on the borough's NJDEP application for improvements on the paved trail from Elm Street to the football field at LVRHS. The borough is seeking to install lighting along the trail.

**Clean Communities:** Nothing to report

**Lutheran Church Easement:** Nothing to report

**Facebook Topic of the Month:** SCMUA E-waste collection event: July 21, 2018.

Nicole will notify Brian to post on borough Facebook page.

**Open Space Plan committee:** Nothing to report.

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**CURRENT ACTIVITY (Cont.)**

**Trail Maintenance Day:** Nicole identified four specific trails for maintenance:

1. Basketball courts to Tannery
2. Tri-Town trail
3. High Point Condos to LVRHS
4. Valley Road School to LVRHS

Nicole will forward these options to Brian so he can present to Council for approval.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Lakeside Park plantings:** No movement

**Furnace Pond Trails/DEP approval:** No movement

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Nicole would like to hold a workshop for the public on invasive plant species. She will check with ANJEC on a possible presentation and also, the NJ Invasive Species Task Force.

**BILLS:**

None

**LIAISON REPORTS:**

**Board of Health:** Minutes of the 4/11 and 5/9 meetings were reviewed. No comment

**Mayor and Council:** Anthony reported that a resident has petitioned Council for a waiver on the borough rule that you must have at least five acres to have farm animals. The resident would like to have 2 ducks and 2 chickens as therapy animals but does not have the required acreage.

**Lake Musconetcong Planning Board:**

**Land Use Board:**

**Musconetcong Foundrymen Historical Society:**

**Musconetcong Sewage Authority:**

**Recreation Commission:** EC noticed that the basketball courts were recently renovated. EC wondered whether this was approved through the Recreation Commission or simply a resident acting alone.

**Shade Tree Commission:** Nicole reported that Shade Tree will partner with us if Trail Maintenance Day is approved.

**Plaster Mill:** Anthony reported that he has a copy of the federal guidelines for de-commissioning properties on the National Historic Register. The council is investigating de-commissioning the Plaster Mill. The EC has already sent a letter of support for this endeavor.

**Water Quality:**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50PM. Motion by Anthony Riccardi and seconded by Owen Newson. (UC)

Respectfully submitted,  
Owen Newson, Secretary

