Tuckerton Environmental Commission

Thursday, October 11th, 2018
Tuckerton Borough Complex
420 East Main Street
Tuckerton

Meeting called to order by chairperson at 7:04 p.m.

Attendees: Nicole Babcock, Nedean Maddox, Cynthia Coritz, Pat Everson.

Absent: Robert Rue

Approval of minutes:

Pat motioned to approve the September meeting minutes, seconded by Nicole, minutes approved with changes. Nedean abstained since she did not attend the September meeting.

In-kind hours:

Nicole – 27

Nedean – 20

Cynthia – 5

Pat - 7.5

Old Business:

Citizen email to T.E.C. regarding invasive species in town-

Cynthia needs to look for plant (Kudzu) behind Dynasty Diner and respond to citizen.

Decoy and Gunning Show outreach table-

Decoy show outreach table went well. Robert and Nicole staffed table Saturday. Nicole, Pat, Nedean and Cynthia were present on Sunday. It was mentioned that perhaps we could have outreach table at other local events such as events at the Seaport.

Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup-

Pat mentioned that the third AAH cleanup on September 22nd went well (9 bags of trash) but was not well attended by TEC members, only two. Need to get the word out to the public and get better attendance by TEC members.

New Business:

Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup-

Pat reminded us that the last AAH cleanup for 2018 will be held on November 17th, meeting at the Borough Complex at 8:30 a.m. Ideas for how to better publicize included: Pat will send language for Sam to have posted on "nixle". Nedean will create a flyer. Nicole will give flyers to Pinelands teachers to show students and will post to Tuckerton Best Little Forgotten Town, Little Egg Harbor Twp. Newswatch and TEC Facebook page. Have Borough Clerk post on town Calendar of Events on website. Pat plans to investigate how to get the cigarette butts on Rt. 9 within our AAH area picked up or in a receptacle. We will pick a couple of 2019 dates at the November meeting.

TEC Facebook page-

Council President Colangelo got permission for Nicole to create a TEC facebook page to help the public know what we do and how they can get involved.

"Chasing Ice" environmental film-

Nedean mentioned another movie about climate change and the polar ice caps "Chasing Ice" as a possible movie to screen in town, possibly with Little Egg Harbor Env. Committee and township. Cynthia will speak to Jean from LEHEC about any interest in co-hosting another film.

Reusable cloth bags-

Cynthia will reach out to Lisa Stevens again about the price and fabricator of the LEHT reusable bags they purchased and handed out at the "A Plastic Ocean" film screening.

January meeting-

Council President Colangelo requested to have a speaker at our January 10th meeting, our town Recycling Coordinator/Public Works Director, all agreed.

Public Forum-

No public present

Adjournment-

Pat motioned to adjourn, Nedean seconded, all in favor, meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.