

TUCKERTON ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

OCTOBER 12, 2017

Chairperson, Cynthia Coritz, called the regular meeting of The Tuckerton Environmental Commission to order on Thursday, OCT 12, 2017 at 6:52 p.m. at the Borough Hall.

SUNSHINE STATEMENT: “Provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act have been complied with as notice was published to the Beacon and the Asbury Park Press, stating the time, date and place of this meeting.”

The following members of the Tuckerton Environmental Commission were in attendance:

Cynthia Coritz, Nedeane Maddox, Robert Rue, Pat Everson

Cynthia led the flag salute.

MINUTES:

Nedeane Maddox moved, seconded by Robert Rue, that the SEPT 14, 2017 meeting minutes be approved. It was so moved by a unanimous consent of the Tuckerton Environmental Commission at 6:53 PM.

IN- KIND HOURS:

LOGGED HOURS: To be posted on the FY2017 for the month OF SEPT 2017 are as follows: Environmental Commission recognizes their members' donation of time and knowledge for studies and research along with attendance of monthly meetings and available workshops /seminars.

Robert Rue	2.0	Pat Everson	3.0
Nedeane Maddox	3.0	Cynthia Coritz	2.0

OLD BUSINESS:

Chairman, Sam Colangelo, present at our meeting tonight, informed members that the Land Use Board will request the use of native plants with their applicants.

Pat Everson related Mayor Spadafora from Stafford Township may help with the input on that topic; they have an ordinance already in place.

Nedean Maddox informed that the town of Bayville requires the removal of bamboo from properties with every sale, and a re-inspection is required every year.

Chairperson, Cynthia Coritz informed she spoke with Andrew K.'s mother regarding Fishing Line Recycling and confirmed Andrew is still interested in this project.

Pat Everson informed members of Adopt a highway progress. She contacted Mike Ross and gave him her contact number. Mr. Ross lives locally and will come to our meeting. He will show members an 8 minute movie required for the clean ups. The adopt-a-highway contract has been signed by the Mayor, this is a two year contract which includes four clean ups per year.

Cynthia Coritz will call Pat Johnson of the local newspaper, to request placing a statement that the Tuckerton Environmental Commission is looking for members, and advertise the Adopt-a-Highway meeting once it is confirmed to be scheduled for November 9, 2017.

Pat Everson stated she will contact boy scouts and girl scouts for their interest in the clean ups.

Pat informed that a plaque will be given and asked members what should be inscribed. It was suggested Adopt-a Highway sponsored by the Tuckerton Environmental Commission.

Councilman, Sam Colangelo informed members he will check the contract date, so the four clean ups will be scheduled within the two years.

Pat Everson will confirm the November 9th meeting date with Mike Ross so Cynthia Coritz may inform the newspapers.

Pat Everson explained the TEC will be required to document a report card such as how many bags of trash are collected during the clean up. She stated that Joanne McDonald, will help us, she is with the recycling committee of Ocean County.

Pat Everson stated we have to log into a computer to order necessary clean up materials. Mike Ross will be training us along with others that may want to be included. Training is half an hour, movie is 8 minutes.

NEW BUSINESS:

Cynthia Coritz reviewed the native plant resolution suggested by members. She attended a cranberry festival in Bordentown, NJ where their "Green Team" set up a table with handouts for locations of where to purchase native plants. Cynthia brought in copies.

Cynthia attended Ocean County Recycling Committee meeting and brought in information pamphlets our commission would like to review and revise. Some of these included "single stream" recycling, "Jersey friendly" yards, and reusable shopping bags.

Robert Rue suggested including this information with the Borough's monthly mailing of water and sewer bills. The recycling document was two sided, one page with easy to read information on weekly recycling materials.

MEMBERS FORUM:

Cynthia Coritz read an e-mail she received from Barbara Layton, webmaster for the Borough. It explained that each committee will have a contact page and requested any additional information our TEC may want to include.

Members discussed sale of property to the County for "Green Acres" as a Land Trust Preservation. Councilman, Sam Colangelo informed a resolution of "no Interest" allows this process to go forward. Robert Rue brought in a copy of the Leader Newspaper this past week regarding an article on a property on South Green Street. The owner is asking \$1.5 million, the land cannot be divided. Robert Rue informed there is a development proposal for undeveloped areas on Tip Seaman and Cedar Drive that have inquired about the open area.

Councilman Colangelo informed the piece of property was nominated for "land trust" property owners were contacted, and a letter of no interest from the borough was required, so they don't keep the property on our tax rolls.

PUBLIC:

Councilman, Sam Colangelo was in attendance this evening. He spoke on the topic that recycling rules will be changing in the future. China will not be accepting our trash, and may possibly end up in landfills.

Meeting Summary Action Items:

Pat will call Mr. Ross to confirm the November 9th meeting and training.

Robert Rue will call Bob Shinn for direction of the native plant issue with being part of our ordinances for development processes.

Sam Colangelo will check if recycling brochure can be included with mailing of water and sewer bills. He will check on the contract date for Adopt-a- Highway for our 2 year window on scheduling.

Cynthia Coritz will contact Pat Johnson to include in the paper that TEC is looking for members of our commission and also the Green Team is looking for members. We will advertise the meeting for adopt a highway training.

INVOICE:

Robert Rue moved, seconded by Pat Everson, to approve the invoice of \$75 to Susan Maguire for secretarial services for the month OCT 2017. It was so moved by the unanimous consent of members at 8:15 PM.

ADJOURNMENT:

Nedean Maddox moved, second by Robert Rue, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion was unanimously approved at 8:20 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Maguire,

Secretary

Tuckerton Environmental Commission

