

TOWN OF HAMMONTON
Environmental Commission
Minutes

July 13, 2016

Chairman Reitmeyer opened the meeting at 7:35pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members Present:

Robert Reitmeyer, Chairman
 Dr. Michael Hozik
 Steven Carr
 Angela Donio
 Ryan Mayer
 Dr. Kathy Sedia
 Marty Matro

Members Absent:

Vice-Chair Terri Caruso-Cafiso
 Amy Menzel

Others Present:

Kevin Troilo – Hammonton Gazette

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve the minutes of the June 2016 meeting made by Commissioner Donio, seconded by Commissioner Mayer. All In favor. Motion carried. Commissioners Matro, Hozik, Carr and Sedia abstained.

Correspondence: Email copy of OPRA request sent to Town Hall

Committee Reports:

Planning Board- Commissioner Hozik reported that Planning Board approvals were extended in accordance with the Permit Extension Act

Town Council- Chairman Reitmeyer discussed an email from Councilman Pullia indicating that street tree replacement within the Grape/2nd/Pratt Streets reconstruction project should be addressed within final discussions with the contractor.

Parks & Recreation- Commissioner Carr reported that the municipal dog park has been approved by the Pinelands Commission and that purchasing appropriate fencing is the next task. Carr also reported that many people are using the parks and that recent vandalism is being cleaned up from.

Zoning Board- Commissioner Matro reported that no meeting was held

Green Committee - No Report

HLWOC- Commissioner Reitmeyer reported that no meeting was held due to a lack of quorum

Bicycle Advisory Committee- Commissioner Carr reported that installation is scheduled to begin once all location have been approved

Old Business:

1. **2016 Green Day Planning:** The Commission discussed potential give-a-ways to have at the upcoming green day event. Ideas included re-usable grocery / lunch bags, LED bulbs/LED night lights, shower timers, plants, glow in the dark stickers. It was discussed that more than one item could be purchased.

New Business:**1. 2016 Work Plan Items:**

- The Commission discussed the upcoming planning for the next community forestry management plan. Commissioner Reitmeyer will contact arborist Mickey Riggins to coordinate.
- The Commission discussed the purchase of items with the remaining balance of the budget. Potential purchases include fence section for the dog park and doggie pot stations in conjunction with the HLWQAC. Reitmeyer will determine the balance amount for the August meeting.

Tree Removal Applications:

1. **Ron and Keri Fisher at #601 Bellevue Ave.** – Application for the removal of two trees. Motion to Approve made by Commissioner Donio, Seconded by Commissioner Matro. All in Favor, Motion Approved.

Other New Business:

- Commissioner Hozik mentioned determining the status of the Environmental Impact Statement requirements for completion.
- Commissioner Hozik mentioned looking into the establishment of a noise ordinance.
- Commissioner Donio mentioned that some trees at Hammonton Lake Park should be considered for removal.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Reitmeyer

Environmental Commission, Town of Hammonton