Hammonton Environmental Commission

Minutes

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

Present: Bachalis, Caruso-Cafiso, Carr, Crowley, Hozik, Menzel, Murphy

Absent: Campos, Matro

Town Council Liaison: Ed Wuillermin

<u>Hammonton Gazette Reporter</u>: Joseph Berenato Guests: Nick Talvacchia, Bill Gonnelly, Bob Vettese

Pledge of Allegiance

Dispense with Regular Order of Business: Motion: Caruso-Cafiso; Second: Carr.

<u>Special Presentation: Stockton University Maple Sugar Project:</u> No presentation, representatives not present.

<u>Development Review: CTX Corporation:</u> Attorney Nick Talvacchia and Engineer Bill Gonnelly gave a presentation on the 4.8 acre site and answered questions from the Commission. Motion to send letter to the Planning Board for CTX contingent on some modifications: Caruso-Cafiso; Second: Crowley; approved by acclamation.

<u>Return to Regular Order of Business:</u> Motion: Caruso-Cafiso, Second: Hozik; approved by acclamation.

Correspondence

Committee Reports

- Town Council Wuillermin; The School Board elected Mento as President and Burns as Vice-President. The Fire Dept. will be getting a new fire truck. A new security system will be installed at Town Hall and the 2022 budget has been approved.
- Land Use Board Dr. Hozik; There was one application seeking a variance for a garage which was approved.
- Lake Water Bachalis; Probable lake lowering in the spring. In January the committee voted to postpone the lake spraying in 2022. It will be done in 2023 and a letter was sent to the Mayor.
- Great Egg Harbor River Council Bachalis; No report.
- Green Committee Amy Menzel; A seed swap will be held on 3/2 at the Canoe Club. The committee is launching a seed library. There is no cost and you can get seeds to grow food or flowers. There will be an upcoming lake and community clean up.
- Bike Advisory Murphy; No report, next meeting on 2/24.
- Parks & Rec. Caruso-Cafiso; no report.

Tree Removal Applications

- 1. Paul Interlante, 225 Park Ave. 19 trees, no replacement Motion: Caruso-Cafiso; Second: Hozik; Approved 7-0.
- 2. Chang Qin Zeng. 337 Lakeview Dr. One tree, no replacement, tree will be in the way of solar panels. Motion to table pending clarification on who is getting solar and presentation of material from the Solar Company showing the tree is in the way: Caruso-Cafiso; Second: Hozik; approved 7-0.
- 3. Eugene Rodio, 151 Brynmaur Ave. One tree, no replacement. Motion: Crowley; Second: Caruso-Cafiso; Approved 7-0.

New Business

- 1. Community clean-up 3/5/22 from 10-12. Not just at the lake, this year it is being expanded to other areas around town.
- 2. The leviathan is coming back to town on Friday, 2/11.

Adjournment: 8:33 p.m.