

Go to Meeting

Environmental Commission

April 22, 2021

A regular meeting of the Little Egg Harbor Township Environmental Commission took place on a Go to Meeting with the following present: Blaise Scibetta Deputy Mayor, Erica Napolitano Chairperson, Joe Rullo Deputy Chairperson, Arlene Keenan Recording Secretary, George Garbaravage, Roberta Rapisardi, Chuck Griffin and Carol Evans.

Salute to the Flag

Approval of Minutes from March 25, 2021 meeting.

Erica introduced Cheryl Kastrenakes to speak about Sustainable N.J. she is a Director of Non-profit with free services to help towns up their ratings with Sustainable N.J. Erica is working on our renewal and getting to Silver rating. Cheryl made suggestions of audit of bike and pedestrians using the roads and speed reports which will all be under land use transportation. Planning assistant grant with the DOT to create complete streets policy for road accessibility. All new projects in the future to making new streets to have safety and accessibility for pedestrians. NJ Smart workplaces to include Telecommunications, remote meeting policies and charging stations. Health and Wellness with school travel plan, Crossing Guards training and anti-idling vehicles.

Blaise brought up the Mystic Beach replenishment plan that was sent to all members. Joe asked about digging and causing a clarifying issue with the water and also wanted to know if this will effect the clams and crabs. Blaise said Mystic Beach is being replenished no dredging. It will be filling in the beach to where it use to be. It will have water breaks. George said this is long overdue. Chuck said the beach will be wider. Blaise said we have 30 days to raise any concerns with them.

Roberta stated Community wide cleanup scheduled for April 24 has 125 people registered and will confirm with everyone. Town Hall will have tables set up for shirts, information and maps of areas to be cleaned. Blaise said he got WJRZ to come to the community center when everyone returns to have lunch.

Robin Burr spoke about the blue birds and he checked the boxes at the Sports Complex and Freedom Fields and found nests with a total of 13 eggs. They should start hatching soon. Boxes need to be cleaned after the birds leave the nest.

Meeting opened for public comment:

Blaise said Township wide garage sale will be in July.

Blaise and the Mayor sat down with Cheryl and discussed where the roads are tight and will ask the county to help with a walkable study.

Mayor Kehm, Township Administrator and Township Engineer will meet with Van Drew about solar on the Municipal Building. Atlantic City Electric will be setting up a conference call with them. Van Drew will be in town on Tuesday.

George suggested a news letter for the Environmental Commission to be sent to all members of the commission.

Motion to close 8:59

Aileen Keenan
Recording Secretary
Minutes Approved 5/27/21