



LITTLE EGG HARBOR TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
from the Ponds to the Bay

Little Egg Harbor Township Environmental Commission
March 23, 2023
Minutes

1. Meeting called to order at 6:34 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. **Open Public Meeting Statement** This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law. Notice of this meeting of March 23, 2023 was duly advertised, posted in the Municipal Complex, and has remained posted as required underneath the aforesaid statute. The secretary is directed to include a record of this statement in the minutes of this meeting.
4. In attendance: Kathy Tucker, Arlene Keenan, Chuck Griffin, Erica Napolitano, Joe Rullo, Carol Evans, Roberta Rapisardi and Christine Moran for the **Green Team**
Also Mayor Blaise Scibetta, Alternates Gabe Franco and Colleen Forest
And Britta Forsberg from "Save Barnegat Bay"
5. Approval of minutes for February 23, 2023
6. Presentation by **Britta Forsberg** from "**Save Barnegat Bay**".
www.SaveBarnegatBay.org. This marks their 52nd year anniversary. They are totally independent and free from outside funding. Britta offered to help us with any problems that we might encounter and also grant opportunities.
7. Roberta Rapisardi, T-shirts for **Spring Clean Up, April 22**, have been approved.
All in & out emails and any photos for our website need to go through Katie Baker (HR) at HR@LEHT.com.
Trees will be picked up by Kathy Tucker, water by Roberta
Flyers for the **Garage Sale, July 15-16** are in progress.
8. Christine Moran reported for the **Green Team**. Karen Gross of Oersted states that no acoustics have been used offshore since last summer. Most of the whale/dolphin injuries

have been caused by ship strikes. Also, there has been an increase in ship traffic off our coast recently

9. **Local Hero Award** nominees:

- Burt Politoski
- Julie Barchetto
- Pete Marcellino

It was decided to give this award to both **Julie Barchetto and Pete Marcellino**. Erica will notify the nominees.

10. **Public Comments**

Mayor Scibetta states that LEHT has acquired land at the end of E.Playhouse Rd as "Open Space". While Ocean County has acquired the former Mystic Island golf course property.

LEHT is still fighting to resolve the solar power situation.

11. **EC Member Comments.**

Kathy Tucker will be working with the 6th grade to build our float for the Memorial Day parade.

Mayor Scibetta. Projects in progress:

Curbs and sidewalks are being considered for the area from Oak Lane to Mystic Beach.

The baseball field will be building ADA compliant paths.

A pole barn will be built at the baseball field.

The current light poles will add lighting that will illuminate the soccer field.

The rink will be rehabilitated.

Mayor Scibetta will be creating a **Wellness Program**.

Chuck Griffin called for consensus for the color of our new tent. We agreed on the color orange.

Mayor Scibetta discussed how the **LEH Heroes Award Presentation** will be conducted.

Mayor Scibetta also announced that May 14 is **Apraxia Awareness Day**.

On April 1 there will be a clean up on Great Bay Blvd.

12. **Upcoming Dates:**

April 22nd - Spring clean up

April 29th - Spring Fling

May 4th - Senior Expo

May 27th - Grand opening of the Community Center with skate park etc.

July 15-16 - Garage Sale

Adjourn