



## Little Egg Harbor Township Environmental Commission

### April 24, 2025 Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Open Public Meeting Statement
4. In attendance: Christine Moran, Cynthia Varamo, Kathy Tucker, and Arlene Keenan.
5. Mr. Ardoin from Pinelands High School made a presentation to us and members of the community about his Barrens to Bay Program. He explained that he had the perfect classroom 40 acres of bogs, trails and streams to create an outdoor classroom for his Honors Science Class. Students get the experience of many field experts as part of the class experience to track real data and see scientists at work. They also worked with Rutgers on a bog restoration plan.
6. Clean-up/Green Fair
  - a. Green fair and cleanup were a success
  - b. 36 vendors were at the green fair
  - c. The recycling table was a big hit with both children and adults
  - d. C. Evans gave a demonstration on composting
  - e. Negative comment from vendors was that all were not green
  - f. 425 reusable bags were delivered to the St. Theresa's food bank
  - g. With clean-up, it worked well having food served from the kitchen.
  - h. More initial direction needed to be given about what to do with needles found during clean-up and where to put the trash
  - i. A note for the future would be to look into a reminder system for those who signed up
7. We will look at some upcoming township meetings and pick some to have the recycling display.
8. Permit application on Great Bay Blvd.
  - a. Applying for CAFRA approval
  - b. We will write comments to DEP concerning the development
9. Microplastic/fiberglass ordinance passed in many towns in South Jersey. It is still under review by the Township Committee. Mr. Laney is going to follow up with the Committee.
10. Sustainable land use pledge was approved and was part of the March township meeting.
11. Public Comment



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- a. Resident wanted information about the town recycling center. He needed clarification on what products they took and why they cut back on what they accepted. Also, why can you only go 3 times per day
12. Environmental Commission Member Comment
- a. C. Varamo gave an update on Sustainable Jersey submission. We have many items to revise for the next submission on May 16th.
  - b. A. Keenan wanted to know the status of the clean-up at Island Motors
13. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM



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Meeting call to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Open Public Meeting Statement

Roll Call

Members:	Kathy Tucker	_____	Chuck Griffin	_____
	Arlene Keenan	_____	Joe Rullo	_____
	Roberta Rapisardi	_____	Carol Evans	_____
	Colleen Forest	_____		

Alternates:	Gabriel Franco	_____	Christine Moran	_____
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Green Team:	Cynthia Varamo	_____
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Approval of the Minutes for January 2024 meeting

Review of Sustainable Jersey Criteria

April 20 Cleanup/Green Fair

Tree Workshop

Update Stormwater Management Plan

Information about Wetlands Letter of Interpretation discussed at January meeting

Table at Robert C Wood Early Childhood Education Center Community Resource Fair on April 27

Poster contest 3<sup>rd</sup> grade

Great Bay Blvd Cleanup April 21 with Save Barnegat Bay

Public Comment



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Environmental Commission Member Comment  
Adjourn