

Pennsauken Environmental Commission

July 20, 2015 Meeting Minutes

ATTENDEES

Ana Fernandez X ; Ellyn McMullin X ; Sue Kofoet X ; Darlene Hannah-Collins X Jack Sworaski X
Joseph Blinebury ___ Chad Holliday X ; Olivia Glenn X .

Meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m. by Ana Fernandez , Chair.

Meeting Minutes

June minutes were reviewed. There were no corrections. Chad made motion to accept, Sue seconded. Olivia abstained from voting as not present at June meeting. Motion approved by remaining members.

Financial Report - Treasurer did not have report as did not have recent bank statement. It was determined that information was unchanged since prior meeting. Ellyn requested that a written Treasurer's report be presented at next meeting so Commission can be compliant with "Best Practices".

Uncertain of status of Sustainable Jersey grant money allocated to PEC. (Sue believes it needed to be used by end of 2014) . Ellyn reported that Betsy has recently purchased canopy and table for PEC and Shade Tree Commission using grant money allotted to each; Sue is still awaiting repayment of table skirt. Status of ANJEC membership check unknown.

Reports of Standing/Special Committees

Gateway Park – Opening delayed due to additional DRPA soil testing required. Expects it will take up to a year to get some parcels transferred to CCMUA. Estimated cost \$1.5 M for remediation.

Bike Share – Akram met with Ryan Wachter and Jack. Pennsauken Bike Share received 9 additional bikes (mountain bikes and cruisers) from the County & returned what they didn't want. The main issue holding back interest in the local Bike Share program is the "no kids" policy. Ryan is considering having bike repair classes. Ellyn dismayed that there was no mention of Bike Share in Duke Martz' section in AAP.

Community Clean Ups - Chad applying to County for Clean Communities grant for Tippon's Pond clean up. Darlene looking for sponsor for Wesley Gaines Park clean-up.

Communication/Marketing – Olivia has set up Mail Chimp account (no cost) for sending out notices. Message is sent out using a formatted layout, we get "use" statistics back. Olivia to send out test message to Commission members; Ellyn will coordinate with Olivia for transferring PEC gMail addresses. Ellyn will respond to eMail message received from Green Indians inviting them to community clean-ups.

Old Business

Community Out reach – PEC will participate in Harvest Festival (Grow-A-Bean, Bike Share, et al.)

Community Clean ups – need to notify Public Works for supplies & trash pickups. Per Jack - County may also be able to supply gloves, bags and pickers.

Event/program calendar – see attachment for updated information.

Adjournment

Motion made by Jack; seconded by Darlene. All approved. Meeting adjourned 8:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 17 , 2015

Respectively submitted,
Ellyn McMullin, Secretary

PENNSAUKEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

2015 EVENT CALENDAR

August

Meeting – August 17th

September

Meeting – September 21st

Tippon's Pond Clean up – Sept 19th

MPAC Car Show (table) – Sept 20th ? (decision needed August meeting)

Wesley Gaines Park Clean up – Sept 28th?

October

ANJEC Annual Environmental Congress – October 9th

Harvest Festival (table) – October 10th

Delair Boat Ramp Clean up – October 17th (Rain Date: October 24th)

Meeting – October 19th (meet in Reference Section)

November

Meeting – November 16th (agenda item: approve 2016 meeting calendar)

December

No Business Meeting

Update: July 20, 2015