

Agenda for the Environmental Commission March 19th, 2018

Brian Boden, Acting Chair

(Note: Items may be discussed out of agenda order based on expected arrival times of some members and some guests.)

1) Approval of the Minutes from our February Meeting – All Present

1a) The EC Minutes (provided by Brian)

2) Raritan River Headwaters Association report: Raritan River Headwaters Spring Time Clean up will be Earth Day, April 22n for Mendham Township at Tempe Wick Clean Up site. The EC will need to put together a site plan for the RHA, and have a site coordinator. This needs to be discussed at this meeting and seek volunteers to make it happen. – Rich (absent), and Noreen

3) Great Swamp & Passaic River Association, Report – Noreen

4) Environmental Commission Charter, Founding ordinances and any recent updates or discussion - Mary

5) Follow ups to a joint EC/Schiff's stream crossing on the Patriots Path connector trail to Schiff's, Alex Bailey Schiff with EC support will be contacting the land owners seeking support for the crossing point – Alex, Rich (absent)

6) Treasure's Report: - Budget - Property Deeds - Sue

7) Parks and Recreation Committee progress – John

8) Updating Township Master Plan - Janet

9) Mendham' Township Combined Planning Board and Technical Review Committee (TRC) Issues– Janet

10) Working Relationship with Mendham EC, ongoing recent Brought Agenda distributed – Rich (absent)

13) Eagle, Gold and Silver Awards Scout Projects, Jack Stanley Burnett Brook project funding –It was announced at the recent Township committee meting that the Rotary Club does provide funding Grant opportunities for Eagle and Gold and Silver scout projects in an October time frame. - Amalia (if present) Sue to report on Township CFO inquiry for Township to fund some/all of the Burnett

Brook project.

Future Issues & Events:

- 1) **Raritan River Watershed Tools for local Leaders spring 2018.**
(Information available at Raritan River web site.)
- 2) **Emerald Ash Borer Presentation March 22nd at the Mendham Township Municipal Building**
- 3) **Trail stewards update (Brian) Volunteers to date (Emily Hourihan, Kimberly Gavagan, R. Meyers)**
- 4) **Creating trails at Bartenstein / Leddel open space property**
(Brian, V. Vogt) Discuss laying out and cutting new hiking trails and parking/access for the Bartenstein property (“Leddel” open space), as well as other properties (Dos Passos / Buck Hill, Cold Hill), etc., and the process in general for creating new trails.
- 5) **4th of July Parade and EC presence (Pamela)**
- 6) **Frank Flaharty (Brian) Former EC member has passed away**
- 7) **Green Team and Township Sustainability Efforts (Sue, Amalia)**