

Waterford Township Environmental Commission

September 15, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:28 P.M. Sunshine Law was announced and the flag was saluted.

Members: Rich Beswick, C. Buffington, Dave Chiddenton, Terri Chiddenton, Charles Damiani, Julia Levoch-Day, Sal Russomanno, Art Shaw, Ed Paul
Liaison: Al Campbell

Green Team: Rich Casian, Dennis LaMagna, Rick Yeatman

2. Meeting open to the Public: No public comments

3. Minutes for Approval: A motion was made by C. Damiani and seconded by T. Chiddenton to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved

4. Clean Communities Report: T. Chiddenton reported that another Girl Scout group wanted to adopt a road. She had to tell them that they will have to wait until next year when we get our new funding. She invited them to our Fall clean up. The Sierra Club completed its third cleanup. They are now doing the retention pond near Columbia and some of the party area in the woods. D. Chiddenton submitted the Clean Communities grant for next year. D. Chiddenton has received a report from DPW regarding the use of Clean Community moneys. Employed 3 to 4 people (mostly 3), total man hours 1063 and collected 250 bags of trash (256 lbs.) 51 bags of recycling (219 lbs.). The man hours also included cleaning of park and field, chipping and brush collection.

5. Report from Township Committee Liaison Al Campbell: Mr. Campbell reported that the plans were moving ahead Haines Boulevard project. The Township is finalizing plans to submit to the Pinelands Commission. A few builders are looking at the project. They are looking to build low and moderate housing. Paving has been completed on Bartram and looking at Columbia for paving.

6. Report from Planning Board Member Sal Russomanno: A request was made to change the acreage from 5 to 2.5 for farm animals. The request was denied.

7. Old Business

Waterford Day: will be held on September 17th. Set up will be at 11:00 AM. R. Beswick T. Chiddington, D. Chiddington E. Paul and S. Russomanno will attend. We have literature from the mosquito Commission to hand out and will be giving away the Rain Barrel.

Car Litter Bags: We received 200 Car Litter bags that we ordered. We'll start giving them out at Waterford Twp. Day.

Vandalized DEP Signs: The signs entering the Wharton Track are being vandalized. The writing on the signs is not acceptable. The DPW removed the graffiti. In the future, we will make DEP aware of the problem and asked that they take care of as soon as possible.

8. New Business:

Mission Statement: D. Chiddington presented the commission with a copy of a suggested mission Statement. E. Paul suggested some additional changes. A motion was made by C. Damiani and seconded by R. Beswick

that we accepted the Mission Statement presented by E. Paul and send it to S. Danson. The motion was approved.

Scarecrow: T.Chiddington and J. Levoch will be working on the Scarecrow again this year. This year's Scarecrow will be Rita The Recycler. We will find out our location on September 23rd.

Storm Drain Labeling: R. Casian told the Commission that his son will label the storm drains as his project to become an Eagle Scout. He need to submit his paper work to the Eagle Scout board for approval. When he gets the approval he will make presentation to the Commission. We are going to concentrate on Township drains only.

8. Sustainable Actions: D.Chiddington said that we aren't going to attain Silver this year. C Buffington stated he was as far as he could go and was going to need help from Township Officials to complete his action. D. Chiddington said that a he would try to set up with Chief Cilona to discuss both the "Firewise" and the " Ready Set Go Actions". R. Yeatman said that he was almost finished with the" Driver Safety" Action and he would be forwarding the information to D. Chiddington.

10. Comments from the Members: C. Buffington reported that he went on the township website and tried to get on the Environmental web site but could not. T. Chiddington was going to check out the problem. R. Bestwick offered ANJEC literature to the members. He also showed the Commission a map the Haddon Township has that had all the interesting point and business in the township. The map was done by the Haddon Township Environmental Commission with a grant from ANJEC. R.Beswick will follow up with Haddon Township Commission to get more the information. S. Russomano will contact the County early next year regarding setting mosquito's traps to check to see if they carry any type of diseases. A.Campbell mention that the County was looking towards cleaning up Atco Lake. The county had a meeting a few weeks ago regarding the removal of the vegetation on the Lake.

11. Meeting open to the Public: R.Yeatman tried to get the ERI projected started, but there wasn't money was available in the Township budget for this year.

11. Adjourn: Motion made by C. Damiani and seconded by S. Russomanno to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48.

Next Meeting: October 20, 2016

Respectfully submitted by C.Damiani