

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
June 25, 2024

The secretary called the meeting of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission to order at 6:30PM. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read and compliance noted.

Present: Suruchi Batra; Sarah Dyson; Rachel Dekovitch; Rebecca Hughes. Absent: Ryan Rathbun; Nancy Scarafile and Jane Ryan.

MINUTES

February 27, 2024

May 28, 2024

Due to lack of available members able to vote, the approval for February and May minutes will be extended until next meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS

None

DISCUSSION

Basins in Old York Village

There were thoughts that there were beaver in the basin however it is a muskrat. There is possibly a river outter at the bridge behind the school but that has not been confirmed. Ms. Scarafile will ask Sandesh if the SEWA group can help re-wrap the trees.

911 Memorial

The SEWA group is seeking support. The secretary informed the board that no money donation can be made from the EC budget however if they choose they could request money from the Green Team Trust account. The board had a short discussion about giving individually because it is such a great thing. Ms. Batra will send the secretary a memo from the SEWA group explaining the project.

A motion was made by Ms. Dyson second by Ms. Hughes to approve \$150.00 from the EC Budget to purchase a tree for the project. Ms. Dekovitch express concern regarding how the new plants and trees will get watered.

Harvest Fest

Ms. Hughes and Ms. Dekovitch will be there doing other things so they may be able to man a table for the EC. The board will talk more about this next month.

Memo regarding Active Acquisitions

The secretary told the board that the memo was given to the Township Planner and will also be sent to the Planning Board Members when the Final application is sent.

Sustainable

Ms. Dekovitch said that a lot of things did not get approved. She asked everyone to log into the portal and address what needs to be addressed by the end of July, we need 115 points. Ms. Scarafile will send an update out. We need new innovated ideas.

ERI

Should be done in a month or so. Comments have been sent in and they are still waiting for the Historic Society, Denise Koetas-Dale will ask them again. The Transfer of Development Rights still need a little more detail.

Ginger Road

A property owner is modifying the property and a neighbor has concerns about the septic in the wetlands. Ms. Dekovitch said that the County is aware and have asked DEP for an LOI.

ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Ms. Dekovitch asked about the tree ordinance. Ms. Hughes talked briefly about the ordinance regarding tree maintenance and management. She believes this was brought on by the new Storm Water Management Plan. The Ordinance is going to be introduced at the Township Committee meeting 6.27.24

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Hughes second by Ms. Dekovitch to open for public comment. All were in favor, motion carried.

Hearing nothing further, a motion was made by Ms. Hughes second by Ms. Dekovitch to close public comment. All were in favor, motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on a motion was made by Ms. Hughes second by Ms. Dekovitch to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aggie Napoleon, Secretary