MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Thursday
October 15, 2015 7:00 P.M.
Manchester Township, Municipal Building
1 Colonial Drive, Manchester Township, N J 08759

Vice Chairperson Di Giore, called the Regular Meeting of the Manchester Township Environmental Commission to order with the following statement. "Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act, Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was advertised in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger and was posted in the lobby of the Municipal Building." Time 7:00 P.M.

This was followed with the Salute to the Flag.

Roll Call

Michael Di Giore Present
Bill Foor Present
William Cook Present
Marianne Borthwick Present

Approval of Minutes June 18, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

New Business, discussion on 82 Town houses proposed on Route 571 and Highway 70. Ms. Borthwick, came before the Planning Board October 5th. was approved by the Board. Applicant presented an excellent application, there were no comments from the public at all regarding this application.

Mr. Foor, explained application to members, 17 of the 82 will be Affordable Housing units, to be spread out through out the complex. Issue with turning onto Hwy 70, traffic and safety.

Mr. Di Giorge, asked if houses would have yards, Mr. Foor, small patio in back. Good for Manchester, need other than single family homes.

Mr. Di Giore, discussed Route 37 Cooridor Report, seems like a good project, mostly in Toms River, but I would like to see the commission be involved with this.

Mr. Cook, problems more for Toms River than Manchester, mixed zoning for senior properties. We will have this at Heritage Site.

Mr. Foor, good report, well done.

Mr. Di Giore, yes, green energy very good.

Mr. Di Giore asked secretary if decision has been made for the commission to meet quarterly instead of monthly so we can focus on certain issues.

Ms. Borthwick, I have not heard back yet, will follow up.

Also ask if the Commission can attend planning meetings or at least be updated on progress, so we can have some input.

Old Business, Mr. Cook, follow up to flood issue in Leisure Village West, Sterling Street, best way to go is link on FEMA site.

Barnegat Bay Estuary Program, work shop, input from fishing industry to help identify a wind energy area of the coast of New York and New Jersey.

Mr. Foor stated jelly fish not in bay, not really sure why.

Ms. Borthwick, oysters are improving, their program to restore seems to be working there.

Mr. Foor, yes south side seems good.

Public Portion Open: Hearing none

Public portion closed:

There being no further business, on motion by Ms. Borthwick, seconded by Mr. Foor meeting was adjourned. All in favor, so be it.

Time: 7:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Borthwick Secretary