

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 19, 2015 7:00 P.M.
Manchester Township, Municipal Building
1 Colonial Drive, Manchester Township, N J 08759

Marianne Borthwick, Secretary, called the Organization 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:

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

Approval Minutes:

Minutes were not approved carried, not enough voting members present.

New Business:

Vice Chairman Di Giore, open meeting in place of Chairman.

Mr. Di Giore, discussed Earth Day, explained to new board members that commission has for many years a program with the Manchester Elementary Schools for Earth Day. Manchester Shop Rite donates hundreds of brown paper grocery bags, we deliver the bags to the schools where the students draw, color, what-ever they choose to do expressing their ideas of Earth Day and how to save the planet. Then the bags are returned to Shop Rite to be used for their customers on Earth Day.

Ms. Borthwick, stated it is a great project, students love doing it and the town, schools and community are all involved. Don Somerset did most of the work over the past years. Ms. Borthwick, has contacted the schools and Shop Rite and made all arrangements for the event.

Mr. Di Giore asked if we have renewed our dues as members of ANJEC, very important information for us and also grant programs offered to the community.

Ms. Borthwick, yes in process of approval right now.

Mr. Cook, stated schools do not do service program any longer, perhaps maybe high school has something to offer.

Old Business:

Barnegat Bay National Estuary Program

Mr. Foor, stated Sea Island open to students, back in operation again. Mr. Foor will draft a letter with information.

Mr. Di Giore, NJDEP, water ambassador, may come out to talk to students.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Open

Ms. Baumeister, Leisure Village West, questioned that new flood zones by state has put LVW in flood zone, area of Sterling.

Mr. Cook, believes new map took all of Manchester out of flood zone, map now available.

Ms. Borthwick, will check into this, contact Art Albine for map and get back to all.

Ms. Baumeister, LVW does a lot of different things for Earth Day.

Mr. Cook, Renaissance does a community clean up.

Mr. Di Giore asked if villages have web site of events, not sure.

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

Time: 7:50 P.M.