# Township of Long Hill Environmental Commission Regular Meeting Minutes May 21, 2012 – 7:00 P.M.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Environmental Commission (EC) of the Township of Long Hill, in the County of Morris and State of New Jersey convened in a Regular Meeting at the Long Hill Town Hall, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey on Monday, May 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairperson, Alexey Hennessy, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Pursuant to the requirement of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, adequate notice of the meeting including the time, date and location was posted on the Municipal bulletin-board, the Echoes-Sentinel and Courier News were notified.

# 2. MEETING CUT-OFF

Announcement is made that as a matter of procedure, it is the intention of the Environmental Commission (EC) not to continue any matter past 9:30 p.m. at any regular or special meeting of the commission unless the members then present pass a motion to extend the meeting to a later specified cut-off time.

## 3. ROLL CALL

**Present:** Alexandra Hennessy, Chairperson, Bill Marshall, Vice-Chair, John J. Walsh, Member, Devanshi Jackson, Member, Donald Butterworth, Member, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Joan McCloskey, 1st Alternate,

Absent: Guy Piserchia, Township Committee Liaison

#### 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 19, 2012 Regular Meeting Minutes were reviewed for approval, a motion was made by Jack to accept these minutes and the motion was second by Alexey. All were in favor.

April 16, 2012 meeting was cancelled due to lack of applications.

# 5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

The meeting was opened to the public for questions or comments. As no one from the public was present, this section of the meeting was closed.

# 6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

•Reviewed application/meeting dates with Dawn Wolfe

# 7. CORRESPONDENCE

- •Chatham Boro EC Minutes from 11Apr12. Minutes circulated for review. EC has no comment. **Closed.**
- •Warren Twp EC Minutes from 04Apr12. Minutes circulated for review. EC has no comment. **Closed.**

# 8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- •Rutgers is offering a Rain Barrel program. The program is an informational talk on rain barrels. Rain barrels are being offered for purchase at a very low price of \$45. Discussion held. The EC will explore the possibility of having a demonstration for the township. **Open.**
- •Movies and the environment: There are two programs underway that concern movies and the environment. The EC will look into what movies are available and see if we can have them shown at the library. **Open.**
- •Green Team. We have discussed this over the past few years and now it's time for action. Discussion held and many ideas discussed, for example: Solar panels, solar trash cans, Pavers, Geo trash hunt, etc. The EC is looking into further information on these and many other ideas and is discussing having a demonstration or fair. **Open.**
- •Alexey mentioned that Chatham BOE is using a 'Rocket Composter', which composts all the school children's food waste. The EC would like to obtain more information on this and discuss different possible ways that it may be beneficial and cost efficient for LHT. **Open.**

# 8. <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 7:00 P.M.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

Don made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Bill. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the regular meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 8:33 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission