

**Township of Long Hill
Environmental Commission Agenda
Regular Meeting
July 21, 2014 – 7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

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 of the 2014 Meeting Schedule.

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

Alexandra Hennessy, Chairperson, Term Expires 12/31/14
John J. Walsh, Member, Term Expires 12/31/16
Devanshi Jackson, Member, Term Expires 12/31/15
Dorothy Smullen, Member, Term Expires 12/31/14
Joan McCloskey, 1st Alternate, Term Expires 12/31/15
Suzanne Dapkins, PB/EC Crossover, Term Expires 12/31/15
Bruce Meringolo, Township Committee Liaison, Term Expires 12/31/14

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- June 30, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

The meeting will be opened to the public for questions or comments.

6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Reviewed pending application details with Dawn
- Email sent to potential new EC Member
- Request ordinance on cutting down trees from Township Clerk
- Arranged special meeting
- Email sent to Kevin O'Brien re: Morristown Road re-Zoning request

7. CORRESPONDENCE

•Kevin O'Brien has requested that the EC send their comments/concerns to him in writing on the requested change in zoning of Morristown Road, from railroad tracks all the way south including Madison Ave. A request was made to change the zoning from C Zone (Conservation Zone) to Business zone. The Township has acquired the west side of the street for Open Space; EC concern is the east side of the street. Karen emailed Kevin O'Brien and request the following information before the EC sends a letter:

- Do you have any history on the area of when and why it was changed to conservation zone and what it was previously zoned?
- Why and who is requesting that the zoning be changed now to business?
- Do you have or know where we can get a topographical map?
- Do you know of any known environmental issues?

Open.

•Letter received from Tom Behr re: Board of adjustment. Karen sent an email for current status of this application and status of revised plans that were to be supplied by Tom Behr. Per Dawn, the board of Adjustment approved this application without final word from the Environmental Commission. **Open.**

• Letter of Referral-Application –14-01P – BI 14701, L 27 – 1926 Long Hill Rd, Millington
Applicant: Restore Meyersville, LLC **New Proposal:** (new application number) change of use
from retail and residential to indoor fitness center which will be utilized by Central Jersey Volley
Ball Academy. Meeting date 27May14. **Open**

•Letter of Referral-Application –14-03Z – BI 13803, L 8– 190 Preston Drive; Applicant: Chad
DeBolt: approval to allow a prior condition of approval granted to former property owner Michael
J. Loree under App. No. 88-7Z (for the construction of a tennis court) to be amended. Specifically,
Condition No. 1(d) of that approval states that “White pines 8 feet in height and installed 10 feet
on center shall be planted along the entire westerly side of the tennis court and along the
northwesterly corner of the court”. The applicant has removed the required buffer and desires to
replace it with a different species of planting. Additionally, the Resolution stated that the tennis
court would have a “fast-dry surface” consisting of granular and crushed stone material. The
applicant has repaved the tennis court with an impervious surface and added a detention trench
and is seeking approval of the same. Meeting date: 20May14. **Open.**

•Letter of Referral-Application –14-05P – BI 13103, L 6 – 91 Central Ave, Stirling; Applicant
Michael Gurval; Proposal: Minor Site Plan approval in order to erect a fence in the rear yard for a
children’s play area. The site is located at 91 Central Ave. (former Stirling Public Library) which is
located in a P-Zone. The applicant wishes to lease the lower portion of the building for use as a
child care center which is a permitted use in the Zone. The State requires that there be a fenced
in play area for the children utilizing the child care center. Meeting date: 10Jun2014. **Open.**

•Letter of Referral-Application –14-01Z– BI 12003, L 18 – 60 Midvale Ave, Millington; Applicant
James G. Harris; Proposal: bulk variances in order to remove an existing one-car garage which
will be replaced with a new two-car garage and a second floor bedroom and laundry room
addition. Meeting date: 03Jun2014. **Open.**

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, August 18,
2014 at 7:00 P.M.

9. ADJOURNMENT