

**Township of Long Hill
Environmental Commission
Special Meeting Minutes
June 30, 2014 – 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 Special Meeting at the Long Hill Town Hall, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey on Monday April 21, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. .

The Chairperson, Alexey Hennessy, called the meeting to order at 7:12 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 on June 25, 2014.

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, John J. Walsh, Member, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Devanshi Jackson, Member, Bruce Meringolo, Township Committee Liaison, Joan McCloskey, 1st Alternate

Absent: Suzanne Dapkins, PB/EC Cross-over

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 19, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes were reviewed for approval, a motion was made by Jack to accept these minutes and the motion was second by Bruce. All were in favor to approve these minutes.

5. PUBLIC QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS

The meeting was opened to the public for questions or comments. Dennis Sandow and Mayor Guy Piserchia were both in attendance to observe.

6. SECRETARY'S REPORT

- Reviewed pending application details with Dawn
- Contact information on a potential EC member was given to Cathy Reese on 14Jan14, Karen continues to follow –up. *Per the Mayor, the potential member has been approved and Karen will reach out to her.
- Request ordinance on cutting down trees from Township Clerk
- Arranged special meeting

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- Letter of Referral-Application –14-07P –1153 Valley Road, Stirling; Applicant: Village Supermarket, Inc. (T/A Shop Rite) Proposal: expand the existing Shop-Rite supermarket into the existing adjacent retail space previously occupied by Walgreen's; construction of a new 492 S.F. entry vestibule; and the erection of four new wall signs. Meeting date 07Jul14. Application and plans reviewed. Alexey will send a letter to Planning Board with EC comments. **Closed.**

7. CORRESPONDENCE cont'd

•Per Suzanne Dapkins: 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, our concern is the east side of the street. Karen will reach out to 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?

This will be carried to the next meeting. **Open.**

•Letter received from Tom Behr re: Board of adjustment. Karen will send a letter to for current status and status of revised plans that were to be supplied by Tom. **Open.**

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, July 21, 2014 at 7:00 P.M.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Bruce made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Joan. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the regular meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 8:35 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission