

LONG HILL TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
2015 Organizational Meeting Minutes-January 12, 2015 7 P.M.

1. The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.
2. Notice of tonight's meeting was sent to the Echoes-Sentinel and Courier News and was posted at Town Hall.
3. The Oath of Office was administered by Jack Walsh, Chairperson, to Dorothy Smullen. Alexandra Hennessy was not sworn in as she was absent.

The Secretary called the roll.

Present: Jack Walsh, Chairperson, Devanshi Jackson, Member, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Joan McCloskey 1st Alternate, Bruce Meringolo, Township Committee Liaison
Absent: Alexandra Hennessy, Suzanne Dapkins, PB/EC Crossover Member

5. The Chairperson opened the floor to nominations for 2015 Vice-Chairperson. Bruce nominated Devanshi. All in favor; Devanshi accepted!

The following was read:


6. BE IT RESOLVED by the Environmental Commission of Long Hill Township pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 of the Open Public Meetings Law that Agendas for Regular meetings of the Environmental Commission will be posted at Town Hall as required.
7. BE IT RESOLVED by the Environmental Commission of Long Hill Township that the following newspapers are designated to receive Notices as required by the Open Public Meetings Law:
 1. Courier News
 2. Echoes-Sentinel
8. BE IT RESOLVED by the Environmental Commission of Long Hill Township that a copy of the Official Minutes of every meeting will be sent to each Commissioner. Upon request, copies will be made available to the public with a notation that said Minutes have not yet been officially approved and are subject to correction, addition or revision. Township Ordinance will determine the charge for a copy of the Minutes.

Upon approval of the Minutes, the original copy shall be filed at Town Hall. The Secretary will provide copies of these Minutes and any other records upon request and the payment of the set fee.

9. BE IT RESOLVED by the Environmental Commission of Long Hill Township that, as a matter of procedure, it is the intention of the Commission not to continue any matter past 9:30 p.m. at any regular or special meeting of the Commission unless a motion is passed by the members, then present, to extend the meeting to a later specified cut-off time. Further, that this notice shall be made part of published operating procedures for applications to this Commission and shall be announced at the opening of each meeting.
10. BE IT RESOLVED by the Environmental Commission of Long Hill Township that as per the attached schedule, meetings will be held in Town Hall on the 3rd Monday of each month with the exception of pre-arranged time changes and the public notified. All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m.

Bruce made a motion to adjourn this meeting; the motion was second by Dorothy. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the 2015 Reorganizational meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 7:15 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,


Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission

2015 Long Hill Township Environmental Commission Meeting Schedule

All meetings will be held at Long Hill Town Hall, 915 Valley Road, Gillette, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

Monday January 12	Library until 8:45 pm
Monday February 9	Library until 8:45 pm
Monday March 16	Large Conf room
Monday April 20	Large Conf room
Monday May 18	Small Conf Room
Monday June 15	Large Conf room
Monday July 20	Library until 8:45 pm
Monday August 17	Large Conf room
Monday September 21	Large Conf room
Monday October 19	Large Conf room
Monday November 16	Large Conf room
Monday December 21	Large Conf room

**Township of Long Hill
Environmental Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
January 12, 2015 – 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 January 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:15 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: Jack Walsh, Chairperson, Devanshi Jackson Vice-Chairperson, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Joan McCloskey, 1st Alternate, Bruce Meringolo, Township Committee Liaison

Absent: Alexandra Hennessy, Member, Suzanne Dapkins, PB/EC Cross-over,

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 24, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes were reviewed for approval, a motion was made by Joan to accept these minutes and the motion was second by Jack. All were in favor to approve these minutes.

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

•None

7. CORRESPONDENCE

•Jack attended a meeting on 10Dec2014 at Watchung Boro re: Pilgrim Oil Pipeline; the pipeline is planned to go thru Brunswick Aquifer which is where LHT water comes from. Jack shared other towns' comments and concerns and he is also on the general contact list to receive information on further developments. EC will remain watchful on this topic. **Closed**

•Impervious Coverage: discussion held on LHT Ordinance specifications. EC will continue to review and discuss these ordinances and make recommendations as needed. **Closed**

•Discussion on rain barrel grant funded by sustainable NJ; ideas discussed and further research will be done. **Open**

•Great Swamp Watershed presentation: The GSW would like to attend one of our meetings to make a presentation on their group and different projects. The EC really appreciates the offer for a presentation and Jack will give them their choice of meeting dates.

PMN: The GSW will present at the 20April2015 meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, February 9, 2015 at 7:00 P.M.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Joan made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Dorothy. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the regular meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 8:38 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted, _____


Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission