

**Township of Long Hill
Environmental Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2021 – 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, March 15, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:08p.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

- Due to ongoing social distance restrictions, this meeting is being held by Zoom. This has been sent to Clerk for posting on website and newspaper.

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: Susan Garretson Friedman, Chairperson, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Matthew Dionisio, Member, Brendan Rae, Township Committee Liaison

Absent: Thomas Flatley, Vice Chairperson, Philip Ponturo, Member,

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

•2021 Re-Organizational Meeting Minutes were reviewed for approval, a motion was made by Dorothy to accept these minutes and the motion was second by Matt. All were in favor to approve these minutes.

•January 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes were reviewed for approval, a motion was made by Matt to accept these minutes and the motion was second by Dorothy. 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

Compiled Meeting minutes

7. CORRESPONDENCE/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

•Susan to share ANJEC Webinar training info: Susan did share rules about the Sunshine law, however, she held back other updates to share with the rest of the EC at next meeting.

•Discussion of sewer wastewater management plan (see email Susan forward from ANJEC) Brendan advised TC was not meeting on this until March 21st, so this will be deferred until next meeting.

•Discussion with Dennis Sandow, Planning Board Chair and Brendan re access to development plans for review and 621 Valley Road. This will be moved to next meeting.

- Overall discussion on updated plans for Elite Properties 64-unit housing development at 621 Valley Road. This will be moved to next meeting. Susan has been in contact with Debra Coonce, Planning Board Coord daily trying to get copies of these plans to no avail. We cannot comment on these plans if we cannot see them, Brendan has been involved and stated he needed to do everything he can to make this process as seamless as possible. We are moving this to next meeting hoping to have the 'viewable' plans as needed.

- Email from Brian Pinke AmeriCorps Watershed Ambassador, would like to attend a meeting to advise on what the Watershed can do for us, i.e. education, etc. Susan will reach out to Brian for a date.

Dorothy shared 2 upcoming events, both on Thursday, March 18, 2021. One event you can find on the Friends of the Great Swamp Web Page under Events for a Virtual Woodcock Demo.

The second event is Dorothy making a presentation at the Library at 7PM on Thursday March 18, 2021 on Migrating Birds and Chocolate.

Dorothy also spoke to us about a wonderful presentation by Friends of GSNWR about Spotted Lanternfly. Thank you Dorothy!

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, April 19, 2021.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Dorothy made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Matt. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the regular meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 7:47 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission