

**Township of Long Hill
Environmental Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
May 17, 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, May 17, 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.

Susan swore in Joyce Koenig, as our newest EC Commissioner. Joyce will be Alternate Member #1, commission expiring 12/31/22. Welcome Joyce!

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Susan Garretson Friedman, Chairperson, Thomas Flatley, Vice Chairperson, Dorothy Smullen, Member, Matthew Dionisio, Member, Joyce Koenig, Alternate #1

Absent: Philip Ponturo, Member, Brendan Rae, Township Committee Liaison

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

•Public notice – wetland permit for septic. 108 Mountain. Ave. Susan will send Closed

•Delaware Avenue – new plans received, reduced number of homes. One main point to note: septic systems is a less than desirable process, especially in a parcel with so much wetlands on and adjacent to it. EC will share our comments via e-mail. Closed

•Tom noted that the state has new storm water plans. Susan will send link to new plans for review prior to proposing to TC. Open.

•Elite plans reviewed and discussed: EC will share comments via email. Tom will get plans to Joyce who has not seen them yet. Closed

7. CORRESPONDENCE/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

•Susan will send ANJEC links about June 8th Webinar on GIS training. Karen will add Joyce to ANJEC mailing list. Closed.

•Dorothy advised of a new Belleville ordinance on some invasive plants not to be sold and ways to remove from your property – Bamboo and Japanese Knotweed. She has prepared a power point on Invasive species and will be glad to show it via zoom to EC members when a date can be arranged. Closed

•Tom is on the DEP waiting list for a free discussion for storm water regs. He will keep the EC posted.

•Discussion on potentially having future meetings in library. We will look into having meeting face to face in the near future.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission will be held on Monday, June 21, 2021.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Tom made a motion to adjourn the meeting; the motion was seconded by Joyce. Upon proper parliamentary procedures, the regular meeting of the Long Hill Township Environmental Commission did duly adjourn at 8:08 P.M. by unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Shear, Secretary
Environmental Commission