

# BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

## MEETING MINUTES

### Tuesday, January 15, 2013

MEMBER	TITLE	Present	Absent
Roger A. Plew	Chair	x	
Sidney Morginstin	Vice Chair	x	
Marilee Ryan	Secretary	x	
Livia Popko	Member		x
Jill Popko	Committee Liaison	x	
Dean Buhner	Public Works		x

#### 1. SALUTE TO FLAG

Chairman Plew called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM and led those present in a salute to the flag.

#### 2. OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ANNOUNCEMENT BY CHAIRMAN

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, this is to announce that adequate notice of this meeting was provided in the following manner: On March 12, 2012, advance written notice of this meeting was posted on the bulletin board opposite the main entrance of the meeting room in the Municipal Building; was mailed to the Register-News and the Burlington County Times; was filed with the Clerk of Bordentown Township, and was mailed to all persons who requested and paid for such notice.

**3. REORGANIZATION:** Sid Morginstin was elected Vice-President and Marilee Ryan was elected Secretary. Oath of Office was given by Chairman Plew to Marilee Ryan for her appointment of a full term. Resolution EC-2013-01 (2013 Meeting dates) was read. A motion was made by Sid, seconded by Marilee. Motion passed.

**4. MINUTES:** Sid Morginstin made a motion and Roger Plew seconded to accept the minutes of the December 17, 2012 minutes. Motion passed.

**5. OLD BUSINESS: ERI update:** Amy Miller (Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Environmental Planner) presented the first draft of the Bordentown Township Environmental Resource Inventory. EC members were asked to review and send any corrections/ideas for Amy thru Chairman Plew's email. Ms. Miller will be returning in March for a Public Session in March. Press releases to area papers will go out. Photo submissions are welcome and a possible photo contest was suggested to encourage public participation.

**Solar Panel Resolution:** The resolution was sent back by the Township Committee suggesting that we provide some examples as to what we are looking for the ordinance to cover.

**6. NEW BUSINESS:** Planning Board. There were no issues to discuss. Zoning Board. There were no issues to discuss. The Commission adopted to add People Papers as an official publisher for our meeting dates.

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT -** Township resident Saurin Patel was in attendance and suggested some update internet sites for updated maps for the ERI. Mr. Patel also led an informative discussion on Styrofoam recycling.

#### 8. E.C. DISCUSSION

**2013 Meeting Dates -** We will continue to meet on the 3rd Monday of each month with the exceptions as noted in Resolution EC-2013-01.

**EC Budget Spreadsheet:** The spreadsheet listing all costs involved in attaining our 'Actions' for Sustainable NJ will be completed for the February 2nd Committee Budget meeting.

**2013 Paper Shredder Day -** Is scheduled and confirmed for Saturday May 4th.

#### 9. FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**Useful Websites:** [www.sustainablejersey.com](http://www.sustainablejersey.com)

[www.peoplepapers.com](http://www.peoplepapers.com) (current and past editions with Bordentown Township's Environment page)

#### 10. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Sid made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Marilee. Meeting ended 9:35pm

**Green Team Meeting:** Discussion and update on Green Team issues

Community Garden Action: Roger presented a donation letter for review. Jill Popko offered to proofread/edit. It will be used to solicit donations from the public and area businesses.