

**BORDENTOWN TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday August 18, 2014

MEMBER	TITLE	PRESENT	ABSENT
Roger A. Plew	<i>Chair</i>	X	
Livia Popko	<i>Vice Chair</i>		X
Marilee Ryan	<i>Secretary</i>		X
Will Bancroft	<i>Treasurer</i>	X	
Sid Morginstin		X	
Jill Popko	<i>Committeeman Liaison</i>	X	
Dean Buhrer	<i>Director of Public Works</i>	X	

1. SALUTE TO FLAG

Chairman Plew called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 February 11, 2014, 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. MINUTES

Chairman Plew identified some corrections to the July 22, 2014 minutes and approval was postponed to the September meeting.

4. OLD BUSINESS

Financial reports were then discussed. Supporter Program account has a 1,554.88 balance, the EC account has a \$149.43 balance and the Green Team account has a balance of \$2,120.12. It was identified that several charges to the EC account should have been paid from the Green Team account. Chairman Plew will research further. **Chairman Plew** informed reported that revisions and updates were being made to the Sustainable Jersey application, per Sustainable Jersey.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A letter of resignation was received from Livia Popko. Several members expressed their gratitude for her help and support. **Mayor Benowitz** forwarded a letter he received concerning issues affecting the Ozone. Chairman Plew distributed to the members to be discussed next month.

6. LIAISON REPORT

Committeewoman Popko reported about the Peoples March for Climate Change held in NY.

Update on meeting with the City EC and BRHS principal Patrick Lynch to start data gathering for a School/Community garden to be constructed at the high school.

7. FOR DISCUSSION

Public Works Director Dean Buhner explained a program from Ireland, 'Tidy Town'. 'Tidy Town' is a community contest where town's or districts within a town vie with one another over having the 'Tidiest' district or town. Would like to see a similar 'contest' in the township, dividing it up into districts of equal population. Further discussions will be ongoing. **Shredder Day**, Saturday October 11th schedule was discussed. **Community Day** schedule was discussed. **Green Team** member David Hlubik gave a report on the community garden. We are having a very successful year for the garden.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

Patricia Concannon was in attendance due to her interest in joining the EC. She stated she would be willing to do a write-up for the 'Tidy Town' program.

9. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Notes taken by Sid Morginstin, transcribed by Marilee Ryan, Secretary.