

**MINUTES OF THE  
CRANBURY TOWNSHIP  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

**April 18, 2022**

**TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING**

The regular meeting of the Cranbury Township Environmental Commission was held on Monday, April 18, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. by remote access videoconferencing in response to COVID-19 and the updated Open Public Meetings Act guidelines.

**STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE**

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) was provided on January 5, 2022 of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin board, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk. Township website was previously updated with remote access information on April 24, 2020 and updated on June 18, 2020.

**CALL TO ORDER**

With a quorum present, Mr. Mildenberg called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and Jean Golisano acted as Recording Secretary of the meeting.

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Michael Cargill, Mohan Gawande, Josh Kohut, Becky Mathers and Jason Mildenberg were present. Jim Gallagher, Paul Mullen, John Krasting and Theresa Vaccaro were excused.

**NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr. Brendan Hanson, Parks Commission

**MINUTES**

Mr. Mildenberg inquired if there were any edits or changes to the March 21st Minutes. On a motion by Mr. Cargill, seconded by Dr. Kohut, the March 21<sup>st</sup> Minutes were approved by all present at the meeting.

**REPORTS**

Township Committee Liaison Report – There was no liaison report this evening

Planning Board – There was no report this evening.

DRC Report – Mr. Mildenberg reported an application for renovations to a portion of a building in Cedar Brook was reviewed. The applicant would like to file a waiver requesting hardship because

of the increase of impervious surface from 53% to 56%. The DRC did not accept the hardship waiver and requested the applicant look to reduce or improve the percentage of impervious surface.

Zoning Committee – There was no report this evening,

Parks Commission – Mr. Brendan Hanson reported the Parks Commission will request the Township Committee consider updating the 2007 Open Space and Recreation Report. The updated report will assist Parks, Recreation and the EC with its open space and parks inventory and future improvements. Ms. El-Badawi, Parks Liaison, will bring the request to the next Township Committee meeting. Mr. Hanson explained a subcommittee was formed to create the last plan, and stated EC's participation would be welcome.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Preserve Management – There were no updates on the trails. Members reported not walking the trails due to inclement weather and wind.

Cranbury Stream Clean Up – Stream Clean Up will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Volunteers will assemble at Village Park. Other areas requiring clean up include: Pin Oaks – off the trails and across the street, the trail behind Fire House and the Reinhardt Preserves.

Sustainable Jersey

Community Solar Resolution – There was no update this evening, and this item will be included on next month's agenda.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Stormwater Mapping – There was no update this evening.

Spotted Lanternfly – Ms. Golisano reported the Shade Tree Commission will be having additional treatment done on the trees at Village Park as well as having male ailanthus trees removed. She shared red maples, sycamores, and willow trees, in addition to the ailanthus trees, are now considered hosts to the spotted lanternfly. EC will continue to educate residents by posting information on the website and sending out e-mail blasts.

Health and Wellness Fair - The Municipal Alliance will be coordinating the Health and Wellness Fair on May 21<sup>st</sup> and the EC is planning on having a table. Ms. Golisano reported the maps of the preserve trails and handouts can be available for distribution. Dr. Mathers offered to create a scavenger hunt for children.

## **APPLICATIONS**

There were no applications to discuss this evening.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

The next meeting of the Environmental Commission will be on May 16, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

## **ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

With no further business, Mr. Mildenberg requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. On a motion by Dr. Mathers, seconded by Mr. Cargill with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

## **CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Secretary of the Cranbury Township Environmental Commission, and that this document, consisting of three (3) pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the monthly meeting held on April 18, 2022

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 17th day of May, 2022.

Jean Golisano

Secretary

Environmental Commission