



**LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**October 18, 2018**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:05 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

**Roll**

Present: Chair Phil Wooldridge, Maureen Bonner, Rich Larsen, Doug Hankin, first alternate Diane Gonski,

Absent: Joanne Ward, Tom Webster, Dan Kurela, second alternate Helen Danitz

**Public Comment** None

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from September 20, 2018 were approved, with minor corrections, by a motion made by Doug Hankin, seconded by Rich Larsen. All in favor.

**Communications**

Watershed Ambassador for WMA 1, Ryan Jiorle, attended the meeting to introduce himself and discuss possible partnerships and programs that he is able to do to educate the community about nonpoint source pollution and watershed health. A list of opportunities and educational programs were mentioned, including rain barrel workshops, stewardship projects, stream assessment trainings, school presentations and fishing line disposal containers, a project currently under way.

**Old Business**

Fish Habitat Update: Presentation will be held at November meeting.

Chemical List – The pages will be shared via email.

Fall Paper shredding posters – Ms. Schaaf will reach out to Dan regarding signs and coordinate with Diane for placement for event.

Vermicomposting Event Recap - Speaker was great! Gavin was very knowledgeable. Craft area was fun, but attendance at event was very low. Discussion took place regarding hosting weeknight events instead of weekend presentations. We did give away a worm bin to one lucky winner.

**New Business**

Trex Plastic Challenge: The application has been accepted by Trex and the recycling will begin November 1 and run through April 2019. Posters and bins have been requested and should be arrive in 10 days. The website will be updated with the information once bins are in. Bin locations will be 1 at Municipal Building, 1 at Central School, 1 at Firehouse and looking for one other site. Shannon will share the flyer via email.

Solitude Lake Management Contract – new contract should arrive in early 2019, but will need review from municipal attorney before approval. Discussion ensued

**Commission Member Reports**

Rich Larsen reported a dead crow in his yard to the Warren County Mosquito Commission (WCMC). The WCMC responded by coming out and identified 5 different types of mosquitos around the vicinity of his property. Commissioners commented on the fun time at the picnic that Dan Kurela hosted and thanked him for the wonderful gathering.

**Approval of Expenditures:** A motion was made by Maureen Bonner, seconded by Rich Larsen to approve paying the Solitude Lake Management bill of \$990.00 for treatments in July and August.

**Public Comments** Julie Lange Groth from ANJEC was in attendance. Ms. Groth provided the commission with upcoming training classes for Environmental Commission members, so beneficial information and resource books for the library, and some reusable tote bags. Ms. Groth expressed her interest in the programs/projects that the commission has been and will be working on. She was impressed by the volunteer commission's accomplishments. The LTEC will keep in touch to share stories, events and ideas with the ANJEC community.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Approved 12/20/18