



LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Regular Meeting Minutes July 21, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:13 pm in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll

Present: Chairman Phil Wooldridge, Vice Chair Shannon Schaaf, Dan Kurela, first alternate Dial second alternate Helen Danitz Absent: Joanne Ward, Tom Webster

Approval of Minutes

June 16, 2016 approved on a motion by Ms. Schaaf, seconded by Ms. Gonski, all in favor

Old Business

Moth Night- To be held at Merrill Creek, July 29, starting at 8PM. The Chair has the larva will pick up the tarps and posts from Mr. Kurela.

Memorial tree- Nurseries were discussed. The consensus of the Commissioners was to plant a sweet bay magnolia instead of a sycamore. The planting will be combined with a fall plant swap.

New Business

Northridge Lake property- The land was purchased by the Twp. Committee. Possible development of an interpretive trail will be pursued.

Webpage- Needs updating & review. The Open Space Committee section should be reviewed. There is a question about the minutes that follow. More discussion will be held next month.

Light pollution ordinance for R-1 zone- Mr. Kurela brought up the need to limit exterior lighting to help preserve the rural character of the area and the darkness of the nighttime sky. Sample ordinance will be investigated from ANJEC and the NJ League of Municipalities.

Commission Member Reports

MLCA & WAG- Ms. Schaaf reported on the Triathlon. 123 people participated. The sign for the roadways could be improved. The annual meeting will be held Aug. 5.

Expenditures

Solitude Lake Management- \$675 for the second aquatic weed control treatment was approved on a motion by Ms. Schaaf, seconded by Mr. Kurela, all in favor.

Commissioner/Public comments-

Discussion was held on wetland mitigation and the possible causes for the low turnout at the Community day.

Adjournment: 8:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Greason, Secretary