



LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting
December 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. This meeting was advertised on the Township Website as in-person at the Township municipal building, town blog, and on LTEC's Facebook page.

Roll Call: Present Chairman Larry Supp, Rich Larsen, Jarod Gajda, and Vice-Chairman Doug Hankin, Regan Bottomley, and John Ward
Absent: Doug Wright

Public Comment: None

Approval of minutes:

- **September 21, 2023-** A motion was made by Rich Larsen to approve the September 21, 2023, meeting minutes, seconded by Regan Bottomley. All in favor.

Communications: A wetlands application was reviewed.

Old Business:

- **Lake Monitoring Update** – Last water sampling was done in October and the results were good with a steady decline in algae cell count and increase in water clarity.
- **Budget** – The request to remove the herbicide/weed treatment from the EC budget was rescinded due to the instability of the LTRC. Larry prepared the budget worksheet that reflected the needed changes to address herbicide treatment for the coming year. A motion was made by John Ward to accept the budget proposal, seconded by Regan Bottomly, all in favor.

New Business:

- **Peaceful garden maintenance** – With this being Rich Larsen's final year as a member, volunteers will be needed to maintain the garden. Typical maintenance is 2 times in the Spring, once per month throughout the summer, and end of season maintenance in November. A Facebook post will be done to request volunteers and announce Rich's retirement from the Commission. Hoping to recruit some groups like the Girl Scouts or Boy Scouts to assist.

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- **Quotes for herbicide treatment** – Quotes were requested from Black Lagoon in PA and Tigress Company in Mt. Bethel. Neither company has provided a quote at this time. The only quote provided to date is from Great Blue.
- **Final items turned over from Rich** – Rich will be bringing the sandwich boards and posters to the municipal building to be stored in the office for the time being. Sandwich boards are typically displayed along roadsides April through November, as the DPW does not want the signs out during snow season.
- **Workshops to be discussed at January meeting** – The idea of quarterly workshops was proposed. At the January meeting ideas will start being discussed.

Commission Member Reports: None

Approval of Expenditures:

- A motion was made by Doug Hankin to approve the invoice for the 2024 ANJEC Membership in the amount of \$425, seconded by John Ward. All in favor.
- A motion was made by John Ward to approve the invoice from ABC Trophy for Rich Larsen's plaque in the amount of \$65, seconded by Regan Bottomly. All in favor.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Larry Supp to adjourn the meeting at 8:20PM. Seconded by Rich Larsen. All in favor.

NEXT MEETING January 18, 2024