



LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**April 18, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 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, Jarod Gajda, John Ward (via Zoom), and Regan Bottomley

Absent: Vice-Chairman Doug Hankin and Doug Wright

**Public Comment:** John DeHuff who has submitted a request to become an LTEC member attended the meeting and participated in discussions. His main concern at this time is what the township has planned for the Hidden Lake Estates property.

**Approval of minutes:**

- A motion was made by Larry Supp to approve the March 21, 2024, meeting minutes, seconded by Regan Bottomley. All in favor

**Communications:** None

**Old Business:**

- **Herbicide Treatment Update** – The Lake Subcommittee met along with Mayor Inscho on 4/17/24 to discuss options for weed management. No decisions have been made yet.
  - Regan Bottomly made a motion to recommend a written addendum to a proposed contract with Lake Management Sciences ("LMS") to keep past controls in place: (a) no Glyphosate or 2,4-D compounds, (b) no copper sulfate algae control unless pre-authorized using chelated copper (c) each service report should indicate the product name of the chemical that was just applied, (d) during swim season, we need all treatments to be completed by 10 a.m., and no treatments on Fridays. In addition, clarification regarding the 2-year term which should remain our option and confirm that treatments can be completed without having to remove the swim ropes. Motion was seconded by Jarod Gajda, all in favor.
  - A motion was made by Larry Supp to suggest asking the Lake Lackawanna harvester, Tom Falleni, whether he would be willing and able to work without an herbicide pre-treatment, how many yards of waste per day will be produced, and how will the swimming ropes be handled. Motion was seconded by John Ward, all in favor.

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- **Free Seed Packet Giveaway** – The event is scheduled for this Saturday, April 20, 2024 from 10AM – 12PM. All plans are in place.
- **Bird Walk Preparations** – Sandwich board posters have been ordered to advertise and Regan will look to have some guides printed for the day of the walk. The event will be advertised on Facebook and the Township website.

**New Business:**

- Jarod did some research regarding soil testing kits, to be discussed next month for a potential Community Day giveaway or workshop.
- John Ward did some research regarding butterflies and found a group of entomology graduate students who are interested in assisting us with a workshop in June. To be discussed next month.

**Commission Member Reports:** None

**Approval of Expenditures:** None

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Larry Supp to adjourn the meeting at 8:58PM, seconded by Jarod Gajda. All in favor.

**NEXT MEETING May 16, 2024**