

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION Meeting Minutes Regular Meeting July 18, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 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, Regan Bottomley, John DeHuff, and Kyle Higgins Absent: Vice-Chairman Doug Hankin, Doug Wright, and Ammunje Nayak

Public Comment: None

Approval of minutes:

• A motion was made by John Ward to approve the June 20, 2024 minutes, seconded by Larry Supp. Kyle Higgins abstained, all in favor.

Communications: Doug Hankin will be out for a few months due to health reasons. A review of a Highlands Application left us with some questions. Jenn and Diane provided us with some stickers to be given away at Community Day.

Old Business:

- **Butterfly workshop final plans** Everything is in place and ready. The digital projector was purchased and received. The LTRC agreed to pay half of the purchase cost. The projector will be stored in the bottom right drawer of the LTRC desk in the office. A sign-out sheet will be created and utilized to keep track of it.
- Soil test kit follow up The information for purchase was provided to Jenn and we are awaiting the order. In the meantime, Jarod will be preparing instructions on both performing the testing and correcting soil if desired. A QR code with a link to the indicator chart will be created and distributed along with the soil test kits.

New Business:

• Fall Bird Migration Walk – The next Bird Walk is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, October 5, 2024. Location is yet to be determined but looking into the possibility of utilizing the Buzzard's Glory property. A graphic will be prepared for advertising along with a QR code directing interested parties to the Merlin App. A map of the planned property and route may be prepared depending on location selection and timing.

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- Land Use Liaison A motion was made by Regan Bottomley to address the matter of the LTEC/Land Use Liaison in hopes to encourage someone who will participate in a more active role, seconded by Jarod Gajda. All in favor.
- Buzzard's Glory Dan Removal/Remediation Larry Supp made a motion to submit a letter to the Township emphasizing the LTEC's concern regarding remediation plans following the dan removal, advise of opportunities to engage with non-profit organizations, and of the LTEC's availability and willingness to volunteer to assist with the project, seconded by John Ward. All in favor.
- **HAB Protocol** The chain of command/process for HAB reporting was discussed. It was agreed to provide the beach staff with Carrie Gajda and Larry Supp's cell phone numbers if a potential issue is observed. The beach manager should have the authority to close the beach if visible film is observed.
- **ANJEC update** It was agreed that ANJEC be contacted and provided a new roster with the updated members' contact information.

Commission Member Reports: None

Approval of Expenditures: None

Adjournment: A motion was made by Larry Supp to adjourn the meeting at 8:37PM, seconded by Jarod Gajda. All in favor.

NEXT MEETING August 15, 2024