



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
EMERSON, NEW JERSEY
JANUARY 23, 2013

This meeting of the Emerson Environmental Commission was held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, January 23, 2013. Chairman Browne opened the meeting at 7:30 pm.

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Clerk has notified all officially published newspapers of this meeting, and notice has been posted in the Municipal Office. In case of a fire, follow the Fire Exit signs above the doors to your right and left in Council Chambers, and please exit calmly.

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Thomas Browne – Present
Ms. Margaret Boyce – Present
Mrs. Karen Browne – Present
Mrs. Patricia Dinallo – Present
Mrs. Emma Ryan – Absent
Mrs. Jean Sagredo – Absent
Mr. Thomas Sudano – Present
Councilwoman Danielle DiPaola – Absent
Barbara Looney – Commission Secretary – Present

MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the meeting held on December 3, 2012 by Mrs. Browne, seconded by Mrs. Dinallo, and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Memo from State of NJ – DEP – dated 11/27/12 – Re: 2013 Green Communities Grant Hackensack Tidelines – Winter 2012 edition

VOUCHERS:

\$32.13 – North Jersey Media Group – Re: 2013 meeting dates
18.32 – MGL Publications – Re: Minute paper

A motion was made to approve these vouchers by Mrs. Boyce, seconded by Mrs. Browne, and carried.

PUBLIC SESSION:

A motion was made to open public session by Mrs. Boyce, seconded by Mr. Sudano, and carried, with no comments.

A motion was made to close public session by Mrs. Browne, seconded by Dinallo, and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Broadway – Chairman Browne stated that we hope to reschedule the clean-up – in conjunction with MEVO – for early spring, depending on the weather, and perhaps we can invite them to an upcoming meeting to discuss.

Educational Fair – Mrs. Boyce stated she sent an email to Mr. Rector, of the Recreation Commission and has not heard back from him, and will attend an upcoming meeting of the Recreation Commission to further discuss possible dates and facilities. Mrs. Boyce stated she has a volunteer who is interested in becoming the Commission's Student Member – Francesca Reilly. Chairman Browne will reach out to the Governing Body for this appointment. Mrs. Browne stated the school district, in which she is employed, will be presenting "Species Alliance" – award winning films and invited Commission members to attend.

Centennial Park – Chairman Browne stated we have the space, the plans, and we are waiting to see what will be allocated in the 2013 budget. Mrs. Browne stated we may need to attend the budget workshop meeting to request these funds.

Farmers Market – No report at this time. Chairman Browne will request Mrs. Zoeller be reappointed to the Commission. We need to come up with the location, dates, and contact past and potential new vendors. Chairman Browne suggested we use the Pascack Press and Community Life for press releases.

Community Garage Sale – Mrs. Boyce stated she emailed Mr. Solimando and is waiting to hear from him as to possible contacts who handled the last town wide sale. The Commission discussed possible dates – we need to avoid holidays and school should be in session. Mrs. Boyce will contact Catholic Charities, Veterans Groups, and the Salvation Army to see if they would be interested in participating.

NEW BUSINESS:

Vice Chairperson of the Commission – A motion was made by Mr. Sudano, to nominate Mrs. Boyce as Vice Chairperson of the Commission, seconded by Mrs. Browne, and carried.

Time change for Commission meetings – After brief discussion, the time to commence meetings will remain at 7:30 pm.

ADDED STARTERS: None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Dinallo, seconded by Mr. Sudano, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,



 Thomas Browne, Chairman



 Barbara Looney, Secretary