

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
EMERSON, NEW JERSEY
FEBRUARY 27, 2013

This meeting of the Emerson Environmental Commission was held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, February 27, 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.

At this time, Chairman Browne swore in new student member, Francesca Reilly.

ROLL CALL:

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

MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the meeting held on January 23, 2013 by Mrs. Dinallo, seconded by Mrs. Browne, and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

Memo from County of Bergen Health Services – Re: 2013 Mini Grant Clean up Program
The Recycling Bin – Winter 2013 edition

VOUCHERS: The Secretary stated there are no vouchers.

PUBLIC SESSION:

A motion was made to open public session by Mrs. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Dinallo, and carried.

Tim Dunne – Conservation Resources Inc – Mr. Dunne stated he is here this evening to review the signage issues, with regard to the Emerson Woods stream restoration project – we are in the process of submitting permits to the DEP; a photo was distributed to show what the kiosk would look like and would be located on the Main Street entrance – 6 x 6 posts, with pine crossbars, braces, roof framing, and plywood signage. Mrs. Browne suggested the Commission attend an upcoming Shade Tree Commission, since they have a larger budget than us, to discuss the plantings. Mrs. Boyce stated all entrances to Emerson Woods should have signage.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Broadway – Chairman Browne stated the cleanup, in conjunction with MEVO, has been scheduled for Saturday, March 23rd, we may want reschedule our next meeting before the cleanup. The Secretary will check with the Clerk's office to see what dates are available.

Educational Fair – Mrs. Boyce sent an email with all the information to the school principals, superintendent, members of the PTA, and encouraged Ms. Reilly to be an advocate for the Commission within the school.

Centennial Park – The Secretary stated the \$800 in funding has been approved for the Joan Martin memorial garden, as per a note received from Catherine Henderson.

Farmers Market – Mrs. Browne stated Alstede Farms will be returning – still awaiting to hear from other vendors, requested the Secretary email last year's application package to update dates and information for the 2013 season. Chairman Browne stated we should, as a courtesy, discuss the market with Chief Rossi before it starts.

Community Garage Sale – The Secretary stated she emailed Mrs. Boyce the contact information and maps with regard to the previous sale – Mrs. Boyce requested the Secretary resend the information.

NEW BUSINESS:

Idling Resolution – Chairman Browne requested we table this matter, due to the absence of Councilwoman DiPaola.

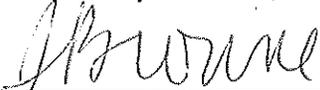
ADDED STARTERS:

The Commission discussed the absence of our Council Liaison the last 2 meetings and Chairman Browne agreed to send an email to the Governing Body to consider a change.

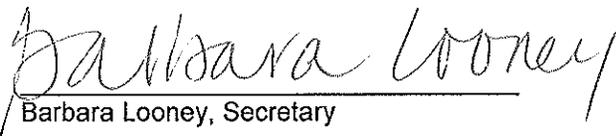
ADJOURNMENT:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Mrs. Boyce, seconded by Mrs. Browne, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Browne, Chairman



Barbara Looney, Secretary