

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
EMERSON, NEW JERSEY
JULY 27, 2011

This meeting of the Emerson Environmental Commission was held in the Municipal Building on Wednesday, July 27, 2011. Chairman Worthington 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 Richard Worthington – Present
Ms. Margaret Boyce – Present
Mrs. Patricia Dinallo – Present
Ms. Denise Lebrun – Present
Mr. Peter Martin – Absent
Ms. Jesse Maxon – Absent
Mr. Tom Reilly – Present
Mr. Neil Schwab – Absent
Mrs. Lorraine Zoeller – Present
Ms. Alexandra Reilly – Student Member – Absent
Councilman Tom Browne – Present

MINUTES:

A motion was made to approve the minutes for the meeting held on April 27, 2011 by Mrs. Zoeller, seconded by Mrs. Boyce, and carried.

PUBLIC SESSION:

A motion was made to open public session by Mrs. Zoeller, seconded by Mrs. Boyce, and carried.

Karen Browne – 114 Pine Drive – would like to see an indoor winter farmers market, possibly at train station. Chairman Worthington stated the building is owned by New Jersey Transit.

A motion was made to close public session by Mr. Reilly, seconded by Mrs. Boyce, and carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: The Secretary stated there is no correspondence.

VOUCHERS: The Secretary stated there are no vouchers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Student Membership / Programs Committee – Student Essay Contest – Mrs. Boyce stated her disappointment with not being able to move forward with the School Board for an Environmental Fair – tough to make changes at this time, and will appear at an upcoming meeting of the Governing Body for their support.
- Public Information – No report at this time.

- Development Issues – Chairman Worthington stated the Land Use Board heard an application for The Home for the Armenian Aged on Main Street, which will be continued in September.
- Pollution Control – Mrs. Zoeller stated she would like to see more recycling bins on the ball fields and Borough properties, which Mrs. Boyce stated is needed. Mrs. Zoeller also stated general property maintenance has improved, especially the Quick Check, and requested the Secretary get an updated report from Mike Sartori.
- Wildlife Issues – No report at this time
- Grant Availability – Councilman Browne stated we missed the deadline for BCUA funding; however, there is another process in May 2012.
- Farmers Market – Mrs. Zoeller questioned whether the Governing Body was aware the market is up and running; Alsteade Farms seems to be doing very well, and the baked goods are a huge hit. Ms. LeBrun stated she has not seen any press releases in the Community Life or Pascack Press – the Secretary stated she will prepare one.
- Green Team – Chairman Worthington stated he will contact John from Hillsdale, to see if he can attend one of our upcoming meetings. Compliance in this is not easy, and there are very particular guidelines.
- Bylaws – No report at this time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: Chairman Worthington would like to see a cleanup of Emerson Woods in the fall, along with town wide cleanup sometime next spring. .

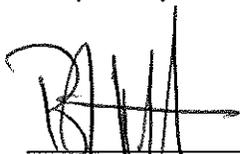
ADDED STARTERS: Chairman Worthington will contact the Governing Body due to the lack of attendance of Jesse Maxon, since appointment to Commission back in January, and have her removed.

Chairman Worthington would like to dedicate a memorial garden for Joan Martin, will contact a local landscaper to maintain – possible location entrance to United Water property off Main Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,



Richard Worthington, Chairman



Barbara Looney, Secretary