

REGULAR MEETING

ROOSEVELT BOROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 7:00 P.M.

Roosevelt Borough Hall, 33 North Rochdale Avenue

OPENING MEETING: (Time)_____

ROLL CALL: Ashburner____, Hamilton____, Hartley____, Johnson _____, Teich____, Tickin____, Silverman____, (Alt 1)____, (Atl 2)_____.

ADEQUATE PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, by notices published in the Asbury Park Press on January 22, 2024 and the Times of Trenton on January 25, 2024 and posted on the bulletin boards in the Borough Hall and at the Roosevelt Post Office.

Environmental Commission Mission Statement

1. To protect, preserve, and enhance the natural environment within our jurisdiction.
2. To promote sustainable practices and responsible resource management for the benefit of present and future generations.
3. To Advocate for environmental justice, ensuring equitable access to clean air, water, and a healthy environment for all communities.

Goals: Short term goals for the next 18 months approved (approved by EC on 11/15/23)

Environmental Education and Outreach of these subjects:

1. PFA'S are "forever" chemicals that disrupt the immune system and are carcinogenic.
2. Investigate Community Solar or other programs that allow households to use renewable energy without installing solar panels on their homes. Learn more about Clean Choice energy which allows a resident to select renewable energy as the source of energy for their home. Present results at a community meeting.
3. Advocate for safe and responsible waste management practices. Partnering with the Recycle Coordinator to get more information out on what is recyclable. Also encourage use of eco-friendly products

Land and People Acknowledgement

The land and waterways upon which the residents of the Borough of Roosevelt gather and live are the ancestral Lenapehoking territory of the Lenni-Lenape nation. We honor the contributions of their ancestors, those now in the diaspora, and the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape, Ramapough Lenape and Powhatan Renape who continue to live in the areas we call New Jersey. We honor this ancestral land of the Lenni-Lenape Nation. May we live in harmony, caring for this sacred land.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by _____ to approve the agenda and second was made by _____. Agenda was _____ passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA:

Chairperson Silverman opens the meeting to the public for comments on the agenda at: _____ P.M.
Chairperson Silverman closes the meeting to the public for comments on the agenda at: _____ P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 20, 2024 – _____ made a motion to approve the March 20, 2024, minutes with a second from _____.
Minutes were _____ passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. **ANJEC** – Shining Light on Community Solar – A municipal perspective, Tuesday, April 9 at 7:00pm Via Zoom Webinar
2. **ANJEC** – Annual Environmental Commission Training – In person Saturday, April 13 from 9:00am-11:30am at Somerville Civic Center
3. **ANJEC** – Local Environment Matters
4. **ANJEC** – ANJEC programs April 2024
5. **NJ DEP** – NJUCF news and updates 4/1/24
6. **ANJEC** – In-Person Session – Environmental Commission Success Strategies – April 13, 2024 from 9am-11:30am at Somerville Civic Center
7. **The Watershed Institute** – April 2024 Watershed Professionals Newsletter – Upcoming Webinars & Training
8. **ANJEC** – Environmental Poster Exhibit – Thursday, April 25, 2024 Via Zoom
9. **Sustainable Jersey** – 2024 Sustainability Summit
10. **ANJEC** – College Students: apply for 2024 Lechner Scholarship
11. **ANJEC** – ANJEC News April 11, 2024

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD LIAISON

REPORT OF COUNCIL LIAISON

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- Administrative
- Forest Management
- Invasive Plant Species
- Stream Monitoring
- Sustainable Jersey
- Dessert and Discussion
- Community Outreach Communication Calendar

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

4th of July Picnic information table: (Stormwater information will be a part of it)

Update on the School Rain Garden project

Tree Give away details

5th grade award discussion

Trail project, 10' x 10' deck proposal with budget request

Community Service project report: The Chalkboard message board

Arbor Day – tree planting and proclamation

Newsletter articles request for writers - update

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairperson Ellen Silverman opens the public comment at: _____ P.M.

Chairperson Ellen Silverman closes the public comment at: _____ P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: _____ motioned to adjourn _____ offered a second. It was unanimously passed to adjourn at _____ P.M.