

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
June 8, 2017 7:30 pm Meeting Minutes

Peter Ardito opened the meeting at 7:34pm with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2017 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-present Genevieve Tarino-via Skype
Mary Ann Schran-present Laura Fitzgerald-present
Anne Lander-present Theresa Hazelton-present
Meredith Budinich-present

Minutes of May 3, 2017: Theresa moved to approve, second Meredith. All in favor. Anne abstain.

Vishal Vijayakumar (Boy Scout) speaks about his Eagle project: Vishal will plan to extend the trail in Beechwoods toward the entrance and add benches and 2 signs (about Bogerts Mill and the Hackensack River). Anne moved to approve proposal and forward to Mayor and Council, second Theresa.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-yes Genevieve Tarino-yes
Mary Ann Schran-yes Laura Fitzgerald-yes
Anne Lander-yes Theresa Hazelton-yes
Meredith Budinich-yes

Carried.

Green Team Portion of Meeting

White Elephant Update: The Green Team earned \$101. Maybe next year we will do lemonade.

Treasury Report (as of April):

T- Mobile Tree escrow - 6772.23

Green Team/Env. Commission - 1416.19

Environmental Commission – temporary budget, but after passage will be same as 2016

*\$300.00 voucher received from last cleanup.

School Update

Bee Grant We will have to return the grant money. We were unable to get approval from the Water Company.

Planning Board: The Pastore application was approved (to expand existing driveway and put in tall plantings. For Allegro, Theresa did a presentation to Mayor and Council. The application was approved, and the EC/GT will receive \$20,000 for the tree fund.

Town Day Planning: We will have cookies, lemonade, possibly plantable greeting cards and a small cooking-related rummage area.

HP Tree Ordinance: Theresa wants to talk about the overuse of pesticides.

Genevieve is interning with Conserve Wildlife of NJ—focusing on pollinators. Maybe we could pollinator plants in the garden between the Borough Hall and library. Anne reminded that we will need deer-resistant plants. Is it possible to use Greenacre funds?

The Paris Agreement: MaryAnn moved to put forward a proclamation that the Environmental Commission of Harrington Park supports the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and requests that the Mayor and council commit to upholding the guidelines of the agreement, second Theresa.

Roll Call:	Peter Ardito-yes	Genevieve Tarino-yes
	Mary Ann Schran-yes	Laura Fitzgerald-yes
	Anne Lander-yes	Theresa Hazelton-yes
	Meredith Budinich-yes	

Carried.

Adjournment—Next scheduled meeting July 5, 2017