

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
July 7, 2021 Minutes

Notice of Harrington Park Environmental Commission meeting location change March 3, 2021. Pursuant to Governor Murphy's Executive Orders #107 and 108 ordering Statewide lockdowns, and P.L. 2020, c. 34 permitting public bodies to conduct meetings via electronic means during declared states of emergency, the meeting of the Borough of Harrington Park Environmental Commission meeting scheduled for July 7 **at 7:30 p.m.** will be conducted remotely from the electronic meeting platform Zoom.us. Members of the public can join the meeting and participate during public comment period by joining the meeting using the Zoom mobile application on a smartphone or tablet, joining the meeting by laptop with microphone capabilities, or dialing in using a telephone to the Zoom teleconference system. Information on how to join the meeting electronically appears below. Members of the public may submit written comments in advance of a meeting, which will be read during the relevant public portion of the meeting. Written comments shall contain the person's name and address and may be submitted via email to the Borough Clerk (clerk@harringtonparknj.gov) or by mail addressed to: Clerk, Borough Hall, 85 Harriot Ave., Harrington Park, NJ. Emailed comments must be received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Mailed comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. the day before the meeting. If any meeting includes a public hearing, all material that will be considered by the Borough Council at the public hearing shall be posted on or linked to the homepage of the Borough's website in a conspicuous location or as otherwise required by law. Written comments, as set forth above, will be accepted for such public hearings. If sworn testimony is to be taken during the public hearing, it shall be broadcast by both video and audio. Written public comments will not be considered where sworn testimony is required. Topic: Environmental Commission of Harrington Park meeting. Date and Time: July 7, 2021, 7:30 p.m. EST. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6936944746> Meeting ID: 693 694 4746 One tap mobile +16465588656,,6936944746# US (New York) +13017158592,,6936944746# US (Washington DC) Dial by your location +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma) +1 346 248 7799 US (Houston) Meeting ID: 693 694 4746 Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6936944746>

Peter Ardito opened the meeting at 7:35 pm with the following announcement: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was mailed to the Record and is filed with the Borough Clerk. Further, the amendment to the format of the meeting was adequately advertised.

Roll Call

Peter Ardito (PA) - present	Sung Yoo (SY) -absent
Theresa Hazelton (TH) - absent	Mary Ann Schran (MAS) – present
Meredith Budinich (MB) - present	Anne Lander (AL) - present
Councilman Brockman (JB) - present	Councilwoman Chung (JC) – absent

April minutes still missing and promised again

Acceptance of Minutes from June 2 meeting Anne moved to accept, second Meredith. All in favor. Carried.

Green Team

OLD:

Bridget Kennedy's Zen Garden: Bridget is waiting for a little more funding. She will remove the piece of wood that is there.

Sustainable Jersey Grant: Peter secured a \$2000 grant, as well as \$1500 from Suez and \$500 from Bergen SWAN. Suez is quite annoyed about what happened to the property at the Blanch Avenue Bridge near the Exxon gas station. Peter is talking to the watershed board because O&R didn't gain permission to cut what they did. The EC will pay \$1000 for the restoration project, which will cost \$5000 overall.

NEW:

ANJEC summer report has an article about when leafblowers should be allowed, etc. Anne would like to implement laws.

Peter met with Suez. Chris Reddy of Suez asked to put down chips and strips in Old Burying Ground.

We will be given enforcement power or stop people from misusing and encroaching on watershed property. We would like to do events with Riverkeeper. We are building a good relationship with Suez.

Peter spoke to the head of the DPW and is working with the DPW to clear weeds at the borough hall. The DPW weeded and put down wood chips.

We will continue Zoom meetings for the time being.

Peter wants to talk to Jeff Brockman and Diane Walker about encouraging IWS to only pick up what they are supposed to.

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Meredith moved to close, second Mary Ann. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:11pm. The next meeting is scheduled August 4, 2021.