MINUTES OF THE CRANBURY TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

November 20, 2023

TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Cranbury Township Environmental Commission was held in Town Hall, 23A North Main Street, Cranbury, N.J., on Monday, November 20, 2023, at 7:00PM.

STATEMENT OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

Pursuant to the Sunshine Law, adequate notice in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6) was provided on January 6, 2023, of this meeting's date, time and place, and the agenda was mailed to the news media, posted on the Township bulletin Commission, mailed to those requesting personal notice, and filed with the Municipal Clerk.

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum present, Chairperson Paul Mullen called the meeting to order at 7:00PM

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Paul Mullen, Becky Mathers, John Krasting, Mike Cargill, Josh Kohut, and Theresa Vaccaro were present. John Reinfelder and Jason Mildenberg were excused, and Jessica Hess was absent.

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Dr. Barbara Rogers, Township Committee Liaison and Priyanka Shetty, Parks Commission Member

MINUTES

The October 16, 2023, meeting minutes were reviewed. Upon a motion by Chairperson Mullen, seconded by Commission Member Kohut, with all members present in agreement, the motion to adopt the October 16, 2023, meeting minutes was passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Township Committee Liaison Report

Township Committee Liaison Dr. Rogers reported on the TC meeting held on October 13, 2023. Township Committee Liaison Dr. Rogers reported that the Shade Tree Commission has been taking inventory of the trees in Cranbury and are identifying the type and health of all the trees.

Development Review Committee Report

No Report

Planning Commission

No Report

Parks Commission

Priyanka Shetty reported that there were several complaints about hikers parking alongside West Property Drive instead of using the parking lot.

OLD BUSINESS

Preserve Management

Walking Trail Maintenance-

Chairperson Mullen reported that a new map was installed at the Pin Oaks Trailhead. He also reported that a new map was ordered for the Reinhardt Preserve Trailhead.

Sustainable Jersey

Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping-

Township Committee Liaison Dr. Rogers reported that she received the software, license, and the equipment from the DEP for the Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping project. Member Vaccaro reported that she will be the EC contact for the project. Chairperson Mullen suggested to Member Vaccaro to ask Princeton High School students to volunteer for the project. Chairperson Mullen reported that Claire Paul, Watershed Ambassador, stated that Cranbury Township was approved for training on the Stormwater Infrastructure Mapping project. He also reported that he will have an interest meeting in early 2024.

Scout Projects

Cranbury Brook Preserve Kiosk-

Chairperson Mullen reported that the frame and roof have been constructed and installed for the new kiosk. Chairperson Mullen reported that the bulletin board for the kiosk still needs to be purchased. Chairperson Mullen reported that Member Cargill volunteered to do the layout of information for the new kiosk. Member Cargill reported that he is looking for help coordinating the information that is to be placed in the new kiosk. Chairperson Mullen reported that all items need to be approved by the Township prior to being placed into new kiosk.

Lanternfly Trap-

Chairperson Mullen reported that Scout Steven Censi plans to make one hundred circle Lanternfly traps to place in the parks and open spaces by Spring 2024.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairperson Mullen presented the 2024 proposed meeting dates for the Environmental Commissions which were accepted and approved by all.

APPLICATIONS

No applications.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

With no further business, Commission Chairperson Mullen requested a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commission Member Mathers. With all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:58PM.

CERTIFICATE OF SECRETARY

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly appointed Secretary of the Cranbury Township Environmental Commission, and that this document, consisting of three (3) pages, constitutes a true and correct copy of the minutes of the monthly meeting held on November 20, 2023.

<u>Donna Wyckoff</u> Environmental Commission Secretary