

Pitman Environmental Commission

December 5, 2019

Chairman Robert Holwitt

The regular meeting of the Pitman Environmental Commission was held on Thursday December 5, 2019 at 7:31.

ATTENDANCE: Bob Holwitt; Tom Slenkamp; Dare Euler; Josh Hitchner; Council person Michael Razzo

PUBLIC: Claire Yeager
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APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion to approve November minutes by Dare, second Tom, all in favor.

BUDGET: As of November 15, 2019 unexpended amounts are \$144.63-Secretary, \$50-training, \$3500-Alcyon Lake Testing, we will try to encumber for buffers; \$1772.29-Earth Day Events, \$50-misc charges, \$0-tree replacement, \$496.08-special projects. Line items that were over-budget (or in wrong category) are \$462.14-materials and supply, \$25-Dues and subscriptions.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS :

EDUCATION: Dare Euler: Debbie Calabree has no leads on a presenter for on Climate Change for Pitman Public schools. Bob will be reaching out to Susan Golden, someone he knows can do this type of program.

RECYCLING: Fred Rod Emailed: I will not be in attendance for environmental meeting. We are trying to stay on top of leaf collection we are shooting for hopefully completing collection end of Dec 20th. Recycling still continues to be a problem many residents are using recycling totes as trash cans. Omni recycling is charging us \$75.00 a truck for recycling loads that have plastic bags and pretty much every load has plastic bags. Hopefully the state will eventually ban single use bags then we just have to content with trash bags. Dare asked about sending something home through the school district about the plastic bags in recycling. Bob followed up to Fred's email. Dare will reach out to Fred about sending something out in schools for early January.

AIR & WATER: Not present

OPEN SPACE: Not present

SITE PLAN: Tom Slenkamp: Most of last month planning board meeting was spent on a property on Woodbury Glassboro Rd. owned by Chapman Landscaping. Use variance, site plan approval and sub division approval. This application was approved. Property would be regraded and small amounts of runoff will be entering the stream directly behind the property. Green Acres extending \$400,000 in grants and \$100,000 in loans to purchase Young Property adjacent to Alcyon Park.

Mike: Sony property: developer is interested in Rowan as a tenant to lease property. No updates.

SHADE TREE: Josh Hitchner: Planting 6 new trees along Broadway, Groff's, \$2,502.00 from public property budget.

Mike asked about trees along Lincoln Ave. Markout was complete but restriction is still unknown.

LIPARI/ALCYON: Bob Holwitt: NJDEP maintaining operation as is at Lipari. Bob concerned that vapor extraction system will not be continued running, feels this system should keep running until reports indication this operation no longer has a positive impact.

Alcyon Park: HS sports ending for Fall, PAA football, and youth football.

Dare recommend a rain garden in Alcyon Park where area is consistently wet.

Alcyon Woods trailblazing still must be completed. Bob will let people know when.

Bob will request lake testing money again in 2020 and it will be used for bank stabilization.

NEW BUSINESS: Bob, Tom, Ellen, and Josh are up for reappointment. All parties would like to stay on and Mike will check the accuracy of this.

Claire was asked to join as an associate member.

Bob asked all members to read our end of year report and be ready to discuss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The next meeting of the Pitman Environmental Commission will be January 2nd at 7:30 p.m.

Meeting was ended at 8:28, Tom made a motion to adjourn and Dare seconded, all members were in favor.