

Alloway Township Environmental Commission

Regular February 6, 2012 Monthly Meeting

Attendees: Joe Ingerson-Mahar, Marilyn Patterson, Chris Gilbert, Anne Sullivan, Craig Kane, and Brynn Reilley

Absent: Frank Ponti

Minutes from the January Meeting were accepted as read.

Since we have two new members, Joe asked everyone to introduce themselves and go over their environmental background.

Correspondence and announcements:

We reviewed old correspondence on braking noise from Union Township.

We discussed a pamphlet received from ANJEC on sea level rise.

We read letter from Ranch Hope to DEP requesting a letter of interpretation of wetlands. This letter led to a discussion of how wetlands are determined and delineated.

Joe announced that we are re-signing with ANJEC.

Reports:

BRC- Marilyn reported that the septic tank has been removed but that the Township stated that there is little money to be spent on the Public Access. They are going ahead with the plan to charge for boat launching without improvements being made to the boat ramp.

Ag Committee- Joe asked that someone from the EC attend the next Ag Meeting in March. John Hoffman, Township Solicitor has written a letter to the Ag Board outlining what he thinks needs to be done to promote more openness in the PIG Grant process.

Planning Board- The Judge has ruled against the Planning Board in the HKS Suit. We are appealing his decision but are limited to a budget of \$1200.

Old Business:

The posters and essays information has been sent to Mrs. Dilks. The winner's of both the essay and poster contests will have their work put up on the Township Website.

Joe has reviewed Craig Kane's General Guidelines for Conducting Threatened and Endangered Species that it is too wordy and needs to be condensed. We are all to review it and get back to him with ideas by March 1st.

The 2011 Report was approved and Joe is to send it to the Mayor and Township Committee.

Meeting was closed.