

REGULAR MEETING

ROOSEVELT BOROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Wednesday, September 18, 2024, 7:00 P.M.

Roosevelt Borough Hall, 33 North Rochdale Avenue

OPENING MEETING: (Time)_____

ROLL CALL: Ashburner____, Hamilton____, Johnson____, Teich____, Ticktin____, Silverman____, (Alt 1)____, (Atl 2)_____.

ADEQUATE PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING STATEMENT: Adequate notice of this meeting has been given, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, by notices published in the Asbury Park Press on January 22, 2024 and the Times of Trenton on January 25, 2024 and posted on the bulletin boards in the Borough Hall and at the Roosevelt Post Office.

Environmental Commission Mission Statement

1. To protect, preserve, and enhance the natural environment within our jurisdiction.
2. To promote sustainable practices and responsible resource management for the benefit of present and future generations.
3. To Advocate for environmental justice, ensuring equitable access to clean air, water, and a healthy environment for all communities.

Goals: Short term goals for the next 18 months approved (approved by EC on 11/15/23)

Environmental Education and Outreach of these subjects:

1. PFA'S are "forever" chemicals that disrupt the immune system and are carcinogenic.
2. Investigate Community Solar or other programs that allow households to use renewable energy without installing solar panels on their homes. Learn more about Clean Choice energy which allows a resident to select renewable energy as the source of energy for their home. Present results at a community meeting.
3. Advocate for safe and responsible waste management practices. Partnering with the Recycle Coordinator to get more information out on what is recyclable. Also encourage use of eco-friendly products

Land and People Acknowledgement

The land and waterways upon which the residents of the Borough of Roosevelt gather and live are the ancestral Lenapehoking territory of the Lenni-Lenape nation. We honor the contributions of their ancestors, those now in the diaspora, and the Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape, Ramapough Lenape and Powhatan Renape who continue to live in the areas we call New Jersey. We honor this ancestral land of the Lenni-Lenape Nation. May we live in harmony, caring for this sacred land.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by _____ to approve the agenda and second was made by _____. Agenda was _____ passed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE AGENDA:

Chairperson Silverman opens the meeting to the public for comments on the agenda at: _____ P.M.
Chairperson Silverman closes the meeting to the public for comments on the agenda at: _____ P.M.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 17, 2024 – _____ made a motion to approve the July 17, 2024, minutes with a second from _____.
Minutes were _____ passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. **NJ DEP** – Funding for Urban Forestry Projects, Application deadline August 12, 2024
2. **ANJEC** – Accepting Nominations: 2024 Environmental Achievement Award & Municipal Leadership Award,
3. **Mary Tulloss** – Email regarding phosphate score
4. **ANJEC** – Environmental New Digest – July 19, 2024
5. **ANJEC** – 2024 Environmental Congress, Friday, September 27, 2024 from 9am-4pm – Rowan University
6. **STATE of NJ** – NJ Updates, Events, Deadlines, Programs, Guidance and More
7. **USDA Forest Service** – Funding Opportunity for Community Forestry Corps Youth Employment & Fellowship Programs
8. **ANJEC** – Environmental News Digest – August 1, 2024
9. **NJ DEP** - NJUCF News and Updates 8/1/24
10. **ANJEC** – Webinar: The Problem of Plastics – Thursday, August 8, 2024 at 6PM
11. **ANJEC** – ANJEC’S 2024 Citizen Scientist Series, Adopt-a-Drain: Safeguarding your Community Through Stormwater Management, Tuesday, September 10, 7:00PM Via Zoom Webinar
12. **The Watershed Institute** – August 2024 Watershed Professionals Announcements
13. **State of NJ** – NJ Updates, Events, Deadlines, Programs, Guidance and More
14. **USDA Forest Services** – Landscape Scale Restoration Grants
15. **ANJEC** – Environmental News Digest August 14, 2024
16. **The Watershed Institute** – September 2024 Watershed Professionals Announcements
17. **NJ DEP** – NJUCF News and Updates 9/1/24
18. **ANJEC** – 2024 Citizen Scientist Series – Adopt a Drain
19. Letter from resident Ellen Silverman to Borough Council requesting clarification of Street Trees
20. **ANJEC** – ANJEC News Digest September 4, 2024
21. **Sustainable Jersey** – Registration open for Sustainable Jersey Annual Luncheon

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD LIAISON

REPORT OF COUNCIL LIAISON

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- Administrative
- Forest Management
- Invasive Plant Species
- Stream Monitoring
- Sustainable Jersey
- Dessert and Discussion
- Community Outreach Communication Calendar

OLD BUSINESS:

- Progress on the Rain Garden plans at the school

NEW BUSINESS:

- Joint meeting of the Roosevelt and Millstone Environmental Commissions at the Roosevelt EC meeting of October 16, 2024 at 7:00pm
Susan Bristol, from the Watershed Institute to discuss the regional approach to MS4 activities needed for stage 2 and 3 of permitting

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairperson Ellen Silverman opens the public comment at: _____ P.M.

Chairperson Ellen Silverman closes the public comment at: _____ P.M.

ADJOURNMENT: _____ motioned to adjourn _____ offered a second. It was unanimously passed to adjourn at _____ P.M.