

MANCHESTER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Tuesday, October 24, 2023
Manchester Township Municipal Building
1 Colonial Drive, Manchester Township, NJ

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairperson Fox called the Regular Meeting of the Manchester Township Environmental Commission to order with the following statement: “Adequate notice of this meeting has been given in accordance with Open Public Meetings Act. Public Law 1975, Chapter 231. Said notice was advertised in the Asbury Park Press and the Star Ledger.”

Time: 6:02 PM

This was followed with the Salute to the Flag.

ROLL CALL:

- Gabrielle Fox Present
- Karen Argenti Present
- Dina Newbert Present
- Genevieve Stavalo Present
- William Foor Absent
- Christopher Blaine Absent
- Sandra Drake Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion to approve September 26, 2023, Minutes

Ms. Fox made a motion to approve the September 26, 2023, Meeting Minutes, seconded by Ms. Stavalo.

Roll call vote:

- Ms. Fox- Yes,
 - Mr. Foor- Absent
 - Ms. Stavalo- Yes
 - Ms. Argenti - Yes
 - Mr. Blaine – Absent
 - Ms. Drake- Abstain
 - Ms. Newbert- Yes
- Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion and approval of the flyer for the November 18, 2023, Community Clean-up

Ms. Drake asked for the typo in the spelling of weather to be fixed and the rest of the commissioned confirmed the flyer was good to go.

Redevelopment Plan Manchester Block 62 Lots 30, 30.01 dated 10-9-2023 (f/k/a Stavola Property) To Planning Board for Consistency Review

Ms. Argenti showed the Commissioners where the proposed building will be. There were a lot of questions about why they would choose to build in the wooded area of the lot rather than the portion of the property that had already been cleared. There was also a letter from May 1, 2023, from the Pinelands Commission that the Commissioners felt needed to be discussed by the Planning Board. Ms. Argenti said that she would prepare a memo with questions and comments from tonight to provide to the Planning Board to be heard at their consistency review.

Discussion of the proposed project at the Ocean County Landfill for the Conversion of gas emissions to natural gas

Ms. Kisty explained that the project was to install and repurpose machinery currently used to convert the methane gasses emitted from the landfill to electricity to convert the methane gas to natural gas instead and pipe it right into the pipes used to distribute Natural gas. The Commissioners liked the project.

Discussion of end of the year reports and data-

The Commissioners requested to carry this to next month's meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion of feasible recommendations we can make to the master plan.

The Commissioners asked if there was a Master Plan Committee. Ms. Kisty said that she would look into that and find out.

Ms. Fox prepared some questions and suggestions regarding the Master Plan to submit. Ms. Kisty said that she would submit the same to Morgan Engineering, who is the Town Engineer and the Planning Board Engineer.

Discussion of Planning Board/Zoning Board Application 2023-05-Parkwood Square LP.

The Commissioners agreed that they would wait to comment on the application until the revised application was re-submitted.

MEMBER REPORT:

Ms. Newbert reported that she attended the ANJEC meeting and that they will be sending her the virtual sessions and webinars to her for her to share the Commission. She said they are very interesting and looks forward to sharing them with the Commissioners as she received them.

Ms. Argenti attended the Ocean County Environmental Commission meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM:

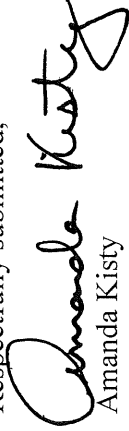
None.

The Public portion was concluded.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, on motion by Ms. Fox and seconded by Ms. Stavalo the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Amanda Kisty

Commission Secretary