# BOROUGH OF OAKLAND Environmental Commission REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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March 1, 2022 - 7:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Environmental Commission opened on Tuesday March 1, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing.

**ROLL CALL:** Present:

Chairman Lee Haymon, Karen Lanza, Erich Kamm,

Tony Bertuna, Matthew Shook, Council Liaison Pat Pignatelli,

Borough Secretary Michael Carelli.

Absent:

Jerri Angermueller, Austin Wall

Chairman Lee Haymon announced that proper notice of this meeting was made as to time, date, place and agenda.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

February 8, 2022

Chairman Lee Haymon set forth the motion, seconded by Commissioner Matthew Shook, to approve the above listed minutes as modified.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Ayes:

Bertuna, Haymon, Kamm, Lanza, Shook

Navs:

None

Abstained:

None

(5 yeas - 0 nays - Motion Carried)

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

Chairman Lee Haymon opened for public comment.

No members of the public present.

Chairman Lee Haymon closed the public session.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

Borough Council: Councilman Pat Pignatelli reported that he read the Commission's Annual Report at the Borough Council Meeting and announced the Borough Clean Up on April 30th. There was a discussion on ground water and septic systems.

Open Space: The Commission agreed to take a look at the most recent Natural Resource Inventory Report on potential open space acquisitions and projects and report back to the next meeting. It was suggested that there be an Open Space Subcommittee to evaluate open space and plan elements.

**Great Oak Park:** Councilman Pat Pignatelli reported that the Band Shell Project will be proceeding soon, and the Borough received a grant from the Department of Community Affairs for the project, in addition to a grant from the Bergen County Open Space Trust Fund. Chairman Lee Haymon reported that Steve Wagner is working on a bike trail project as well. Chairman Lee Haymon added that signs are being posted in the park as previously discussed. Chairman Lee Haymon added that the stewardship of the park will fall under the Commission once the Band Shell is installed.

**Green Team:** Michael Carelli reported that registration is open for the Oakland Community Garden and residents may register on the Borough website for the 2022 season.

Planning Board/Board of Adjustment: No updates.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**GIS Map:** Vice Chairman Michael Miner added that he would schedule a meeting with Matthew Shook and Erich Kamm to review further.

**Trails App:** Matthew Shook will work on research related to mobile trail mapping such as All Trails.

**PFOS/PFOA:** Chairman Lee Haymon reported that he met with the Borough Administrator to discuss treatment options for PFOS/PFOA treatment in the Borough.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**ANJEC Grant:** Michael Carelli reported that if the Commission decides to apply for the Annual ANJEC Grants Program, they will need to determine a project for consideration before the April Borough Council Meeting. It was agreed upon to submit for the GIS Project for Professional Services support. Michael Carelli will prepare the grant application.

**Borough Clean Up:** Chairman Lee Haymon will work with Michael Carelli on event logistics, refreshments, and outreach.

Chairman Lee Haymon set forth the motion, seconded by Matthew Shook, to remove Commission Austin Wall from the Environmental Commission due to lack of attendance.

**ROLL CALL:** Ayes:

Bertuna, Haymon, Kamm, Lanza, Shook

Nays:

Abstained:

(5 yeas, 0 nays, Motion Carried)

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Chairman Lee Haymon closed the public session.

# **ADJOURNMENT:**

 $Commissioner\ Matthew\ Shook\ set\ for th\ the\ motion,\ seconded\ by\ Commissioner\ Karen\ Lanza,\ to\ adjourn\ the\ meeting.$ 

# ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:47 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted.

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Michael Carelli Borough Secretary

The next Environmental Commission Meeting is scheduled for:

Tuesday April 5, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. via Council Chambers, 10 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436