

Oakland Environmental Commission

October 1, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM by Nancy Krause. Members present were Lee Haymon, Mark Ostapczuk, Gina Mayer-Costa, and Alex Myers.

Open to public - Michael DaSilva, professional geologist and Oakland resident, had expressed interest in offering his help with the NRI by reviewing the draft section on Oakland geology.

1. **Meeting Minutes Review** from 8/6/2013 and 9/3/2013 – amendments made.

2. **Old Business**

a. **Members/reorganize** – Alex Myers was appointed alternate commissioner 9/25/13 to fill the position of Gina Mayer-Costa who will be advanced to finish Mike Lynch's 3 year term.

b. **ANJEC annual Congress** - October 19 - \$60 registration fee for Commission members.

c. **Stewart's Woods Update**

i. **Eagle Scout project progress report** – Benches have been installed, maple trees removed. The picnic tables are with the DPW and will be set up this week.

1. **Stewart's Woods plaque** – Mrs. Stewart's daughter presented a photo of the plaque to the Commission. The wording will be retained. "Stewart Woods" will be the heading.

d. **NRI – review comments**

i. Chapters 1- 6 can be found at

http://kratzerenv.com/Oakland_NRI_Draft_June_2013_Sections_1-4.PDF and

http://kratzerenv.com/Oakland_NRI_Draft_August_2013_Sections_5-6.pdf or on

DropBox. The NRI sections 7-10 can be downloaded at the following link:

http://kratzerenv.com/Oakland_NRI_Draft_September_2013_Sections_7-10.pdf

1. **Comments** are being sent to Debbie Kratzer (dkratzer@embarqmail.com) – Sections involved include air quality, climate, flood area and wildlife. Commissioners are considering ways to include specific local conditions and species among general data.

e. **ANJEC Land Preservation Road Show** – Gina Mayer-Costa

i. October 2 - Wyckoff Library 7pm – Speakers are lined-up for presentation.

3. **New Business** –

a. **Fresh water flood area permit** plans for construction on Hobby Lane were submitted.

b. **FLOW area Green Fairs** – Wyckoff has reserved Ramapo High School in March 2014 for a Green Fair. They would appreciate the co-operation of Oakland & Franklin Lakes. Several people present offered to submit lists of green vendors to be contacted.

4. **Committee Updates**

a. **Great Oak Park** – Eric Kozak gave a trails report to the Park Committee. A Park naming - contest is being held on-line. Green Team - Recycling - Open Space - No Updates available.

5. **Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Update**

a. **Current Projects** – Nancy attended the Planning Board discussion of the 2 NRI's and the methods of including both in the Borough's Master Plan. They can both be attachments.

b. **Meeting Schedule** – Upcoming meetings are next week.

6. **Budget Status** – 2014 budget preparation is in process. It was suggested that the Misc. budget be increased by \$300 to \$1000 for participation in the FLOW area Green Fair & other projects.

7. **Close Meeting** – The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm. Next meeting November 12, 7:30pm

8. Minutes submitted by Secretary Jerri Angermueller