

Oakland Environmental Commission Agenda

September 6, 2016

1. Meeting called to order at 7:40PM by Chair Nancy Krause. Members present were Lee Haymon, Mark Ostapczuk and Gina Mayer-Costa. Members excused were Peter Tuohy, Mike DaSilva, and Alex Myer due to work commitments.
2. **Meeting Announcement:** This meeting is being held in accordance with the open public meetings law, duly announced, advertised and posted in the municipal building.
3. **Open to public** – No members of the public were present.
4. **Meeting Minutes** Review from 3-1-16, 5-3-16, 6-7-16, 7-5-16, 8-2-16 Minutes of May were amended and approved. The other minutes were tabled.
5. **Old Business**
 - a. Pilgrim pipeline status – Nancy Krause has been following news reports on economic conditions for oil pipelines throughout the nation.
 - b. Potash Lake Recreation Area - Eagle Scout projects – No new information has been received on the projects.
 - c. Stewart Woods Eagle Scout Project/ Nature guide/map – No updates on progress.
6. **New Business**
 - a. ANJEC annual Congress September 30 – Friday at Mercer County College
ANJEC will be presenting seminars on Climate Change and other environmental issues. Fee is payable by OEC budget funds.
 - b. Replant Oak tree – A dying oak tree in Stewart Woods needs to be replaced. A young tree can be donated by a Commission member. Details will be discussed.
7. **Committee Updates**
 - a. Town Council Update – Council liaison joined the meeting at 8 PM. She reported that there is no progress on any open-space purchase.
 - b. Great Oak Park Update – No August meeting was held. There is nothing new to report.
 - c. Green Team Update - Oakland Borough certification will expire December 31, 2017. No activity is being reported.
 - d. Recycling Update – No new reports available.
 - e. Open Space Update – It was proposed that the Mayor be approached for advice on how the Environmental Commission can help facilitate the Bi-County purchase.
 - f. Communications – website/crossroads – The new Borough website is still being reworked. The Environmental Commission's webpages are ready for transfer.
8. **Planning Board/Board of Adjustment Update**
 - a. Current Projects – The application for a new service center on Plaza Rd. is being discussed. Lee Haymon will present the Environmental Commission's concerns on the public water source, storm water run-off, fuel tank safety and landscaping for the potential site. Hearings will continue as details are discussed.
9. **Budget Status** – Funds are available for projects and education.
10. Close Meeting – adjournment at 8:30 PM. Next meeting will be October 4, 7:30pm. Minutes submitted by Secretary Jerri Angermueller.