



Borough of Oakland
One Municipal Plaza
Oakland, N.J. 07436

BOROUGH OF OAKLAND Environmental Commission REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Phone: (201) 337-8111
Website: www.oakland-nj.org

March 1, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

CHAIR:
Lee Haymon

VICE CHAIR:
Michael Miner

COMMISSIONERS:
Jerri Angermueller
Erich Kamm
Matthew Shook
Karen Lanza
Tony Bertuna
Austin Wall
Councilman Pasquale Pignatelli
Borough Secretary Michael Carelli

CALL TO ORDER:

- Roll Call
- Statement of Compliance w/ Open Public Meetings Act
 - The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Environmental Commission is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Law, duly announced, submitted to the official Borough newspaper, and advertised more than 48 hours in advance of the meeting and notice posted in the Oakland Borough Hall and on the Borough website.
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- February 8, 2022

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT:

General Public

Members of the public are invited to comment at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Borough Council – Councilman Pat Pignatelli
- Borough Open Space – Councilman Pat Pignatelli
- Great Oak Park – Lee Haymon
- Sustainable Oakland Green Team – Michael Carelli
- Planning Board/Board of Adjustment – Lee Haymon

OLD BUSINESS:

- GIS Mapping Project

NEW BUSINESS:

- ANJEC Grants Program

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ADJOURNMENT:

Additional items may be added to this agenda. This agenda was prepared as of 2/25/2022 with all available information as of this date.

Michael Carelli
Borough Secretary

The next Environmental Commission Meeting is scheduled for
Tuesday April 5, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at the Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436

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February 8, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

The Reorganization and Regular Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Environmental Commission opened on Tuesday February 8, 2022 at 7:31 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing.

ROLL CALL: **Present:** **Chairman Lee Haymon, Karen Lanza, Jerri Angermueller
Erich Kamm, Tony Bertuna, Matthew Shook, Council Liaison
Pat Pignatelli, Secretary Michael Carelli.**

Absent: **Austin Wall, Michael Miner**

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

November 9, 2021
December 14, 2021
January 18, 2022

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

ROLL CALL: **Ayes:** **Angermueller, Haymon, Kamm, Lanza**
 Nays: **None**
 Abstained: **None**
 (6 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 the Borough is pursuing charcoal as an alternative treatment for the PFOS water upgrades. The other consideration was reverse osmosis. Chairman Lee Haymon suggested that a call is scheduled with the Borough Professionals and Environmental Commission representatives for discussion on the treatment plan and how the decision was made. Michael Carelli will work on scheduling a meeting. Councilman Pignatelli added that federal funding is pending for such projects.

Open Space: Councilman Pignatelli added that the seller of Sandy Beach is not cooperative and a willing seller. Erich Kamm suggested that Councilman Pignatelli take on open space reports moving forward. The Commission praised Mr. Kamm's knowledge on open space acquisition and practices. It was determined that the Commission keep pursuing open space acquisition moving forward.

Great Oak Park: Chairman Lee Haymon announced that the Park Committee will be meeting for the first time in 2022 this month.

Green Team: Michael Carelli reported that the new plastic bag ban law will be coming into effect on May 4, 2022. For more information, visit www.bagupnj.com. The Oakland Community Garden registration will be announced in the coming weeks on the Borough website.

Planning Board/Board of Adjustment: Councilman Pignatelli added that the Borough Council reversed the Board of Adjustment's decision on the use variance for Elahi Fuel. This was the first time this has happened.

OLD BUSINESS:

GIS Map: Matthew Shook reached out to the NY/NJ Trail Conference for potential assistance with the GIS mapping project. A potential app was discussed for use by students.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Vacancy: Michael Carelli reported that the Commission has one (1) Board Vacancy currently and the Commission is seeking new members.

Alex Myers Certificate: A certificate honoring outgoing Commissioner Alex Myers will be read at the February 9, 2022 Borough Council Meeting by the Mayor.

Annual Accomplishments Report: The 2022 Annual Accomplishments Report was distributed to the Commission and will be read aloud at the next Borough Council Meeting.

Cleanup: A Borough Clean Up has been scheduled for April 30, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Lee Haymon is taking the lead and will coordinate volunteers. Michael Carelli will work on public outreach and a flier. Michael Carelli will apply to the Bergen County Clean Communities Grant to fund the program.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Chairman Lee Haymon opened for public comment.

No members of the public present.

Chairman Lee Haymon closed the public session.

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Lee Haymon set forth the motion, seconded by Commissioner Matthew Shook, to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Carelli
Borough Secretary

The next Environmental Commission Meeting is scheduled for:
Tuesday March 1, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom Video Conferencing

Michael Carelli

From: Lee Haymon <lhaymon88@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 15, 2022 7:44 PM
To: Michael Carelli; Michael Miner
Subject: Fwd: Grants for Environmental Commissions!

CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Definitely need to after a grant for the OEC.

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From: Elizabeth Ritter, ANJEC <info@anjec.org>
Date: Mon, Feb 14, 2022 at 9:53 AM
Subject: Grants for Environmental Commissions!
To: <lhaymon88@gmail.com>

2022 Environmental Commission Grants

**2022 ANJEC GRANTS FOR OPEN
SPACE STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS**
Applications due
Monday, May 2, 2022



ANJEC is now accepting applications from environmental commissions for grants of up to \$1500 each for local stewardship projects. Suitable projects for the grant funding include, but are not limited to:

- community gardens
- trail building, signage, maintenance
- urban agriculture projects
- printed or online guides, maps, inventories of open space, trails
- open space or trails assessments, plans, maps

*****ANJEC is pleased to announce additional funding for projects in/near remediated hazardous sites for the 2022 Grant Program***

