BOROUGH OF OAKLAND
Environmental Commission
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

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November 1, 2022 – 7:30 p.m.

The Regular Meeting of the Borough of Oakland Environmental Commission opened on Tuesday May 17, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. in the Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436.

ROLL CALL: Present: Erich Kamm, Jerri Angermueller, Tony Bertuna, Matthew Shook, Bill Eilert, Council Liaison Pat Pignatelli, Borough Secretary Michael Carelli.

Absent: Chairman Lee Haymon, Karen Lanza.

On motion of Matthew Shook, seconded by Jerri Angermueller, Karen Lanza and Lee Haymon be excused.

ALL IN FAVOR.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

May 15, 2022

On motion of Matthew Shook, seconded by Jerri Angermueller, the above listed minutes be approved.

ALL IN FAVOR.

June 14, 2022 – HOLD due to insufficient members present to adopt.

August 2, 2022

On motion of Jerri Angermueller, seconded by Tony Bertuna, the above listed minutes be approved.

ALL IN FAVOR.

September 13, 2022

On motion of Matthew Shook, seconded by Jerri Angermueller, the above listed minutes be approved.

ALL IN FAVOR.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:

Commissioner Erich Kamm opened for public comment.
No public present.

Commissioner Erich Kamm closed the public session.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Borough Council:** Councilman Pignatelli advised that the Borough Council is hearing a Cannabis Cultivation License at the November 9, 2022 Borough Council Meeting.

**Open Space:** Matthew Shook asked on the GIS mapping project status.

**Great Oak Park:** No updates.

**Green Team:** Borough Secretary Michael Carelli advised that the Green Team has achieved silver certification for 2022. The Green Team will be recycling Christmas lights for 2022.

**Planning Board/Board of Adjustment:** Councilman Pignatelli advised that a public hearing is scheduled for November, and discussions are ensuing for a donation for Allerman Brook repairs.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Budget:** Mr. Carelli suggested that the Commission hold a vote to approve the 2023 budget. The budget includes $450 for ANJEC membership and $800 for a pollinator garden within Great Oak Park for 2023.

On motion of William Eilert, seconded by Tony Bertuna, the 2023 budget submissions be approved.

**ROLL CALL:**

Ayes: Angermueller, Kamm, Eilert, Shook, Bertuna.
Nays: None
Abstain: None

(5 ayes – 0 nays – motion carried)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Nominations for Vice Chairman:** It was agreed to wait until the reorganization meeting to appoint someone as Vice-Chairman.

**2023 Meeting Dates:** The 2023 meeting dates were approved by the Commission.

**New Members:** Jo-Ann Orzo Ashkenazi will be appointed as a Commissioner at the November 9, 2022 Borough Council Meeting.

**Pollinator Garden Webinar:** Erich Kamm brought forth a webinar hosted by the NJMMA on pollinator gardens. He encouraged everyone to attend.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:**

Commissioner Erich Kamm opened for public comment.

No members of the public present.

Commissioner Erich Kamm closed the public session.
ADJOURNMENT:

Matthew Shook set forth the motion, seconded by Commissioner Jerri Angermueller, to adjourn the meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR.

Adjourned: 8:18 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michael Carelli
Borough Secretary

The next Environmental Commission Meeting is scheduled for:

December 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m. at Oakland Senior Center, 20 Lawlor Drive, Oakland, N.J. 07436