



**Morristown Environmental Commission**  
**Morristown Town Hall**  
**200 South Street,**  
**Morristown, N.J. 07960**

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**February 3rd, 2026, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Town Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Senior Center**

**Roll Call:** Chair Stefan Armington, Commissioners Tina Galante, Scott Marum, Elham Mehdizadeh, Aaron Oliver, Bob Upton  
**Guest:** Councilman Bob Iannaccone  
**Public:** Andrea Dolan, David Okada

- I. Open Public Session: For the benefit of the full commission, Ms. Dolan repeated her remarks from last month about her interest in working with MEC on composting/food waste and she is getting information from Princeton and NJ Composting Council. It was noted that New Jersey's food waste reduction bill was signed into law (A2090).
- II. MEC Green Team Designation: In January Town of Morristown Resolution R-43-2026 passed appointing MEC as the "Green Team" for purposes of participating in the Sustainable Jersey program. Chair Armington suggested members review the program details on [www.sustainablejersey.com](http://www.sustainablejersey.com) and review their "actions" for any we may wish to pursue. SJ is reviewing their certification program so the next opportunity to apply for certification will be in 2027. Chair Armington is in the process of applying for a \$2K grant towards ERI mapping (see below).
- III. Old Business:
  - Open Space and Recreation Plan Update: The current plan from 2011, available on the town website, must be updated to create eligibility for grants in the program. The recently passed referendum creates a source of funds for projects and a NJ Highlands Coalition grant to the Planning Dept provides an opportunity for input from MEC. Several associated projects are already in process by Shade Tree Commission at Jacob Ford Park and Victor Woodhull Park. Also, the town has completed a plan for Burnham Park. A need for playgrounds for small children was noted. Chairman Armington noted that the Administration has been granted a \$30,000 grant from the Highlands Commission to assist with the Plan update. The updates are typically developed in partnership between the Planning Department, Planning Board and the Environmental Commission.
  - Environmental Resource Inventory: The current ERI is also from 2011 and available on the town website. Chair Armington has suggested that it is an MEC priority to update the report and he is seeking grant funding for the GIS mapping portion of the report.
  - ANJEC membership: Chair Armington has renewed our membership and provided them with member contact info.
  - Facebook: Cmsnr Marum confirmed that he continues to maintain the MEC Facebook page, add content and share it.
- IV. New Business

- Composting/Food Waste Management: Chair Armington is in conversation with Morris Township EC re their efforts on this topic and opportunities to cooperate. Ms Dolan will report back on her inquiries. Cmsnr Galante is experienced in this area and will assist.
  - Solid Waste Reduction/Improved Recycling were identified as topics for study. Chair Armington asked members to send him their thoughts on possible approaches.
- V. Next meeting: Due to a conflict with Mr. Armington, the regularly scheduled meeting is now proposed for the following Thursday March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm.