



Morristown Environmental Commission

Morristown Town Hall

200 South Street, Room 200

Morristown, N.J. 07960

April 3, 2018

7:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call: Commissioners Denman, Umbriac, Davis, Grigas, Ginsburg, Pylypchuk
and Council Liaison Deeb

Excused: Commissioners Baumann

II. Approval of Minutes for March 6, 2017

III. Open Public Session

IV. **New Business** – Chairperson Denman to report

▪ Office of the Mayor & Business Administrator:

1. The MEC will host the 2nd Annual Mayor's Lakeside Cleanup at Pocahontas & Speedwell Lakes this Spring. A date has been confirmed with the Mayor's office for May 19th from 9am – 2pm. Commissioner Grigas will provide update of subcommittee at March meeting.

2. ANJEC 2017 Open Space Grant was awarded in the amount of \$1,500 to the Town of Morristown on behalf of the MEC for Elliot Street Community Garden. An In-Kind donation match was made & Councilman Stefan Armington is spearheading the project with the Elliot St. neighborhood members. Councilman Armington will be presenting this evening to the MEC.

3. NV5 has begun the Hydrology/Hydraulics study on Foote's Pond. The study is estimated to take 8-12 months at which time a thorough analysis will be compiled and presented along with an analysis so that the Council can make an informed decision relative to the health and wellbeing of the Pond. Due to upcoming storm, Town Engineer Anthony DiVizio to provide evaluation of the debrief the MEC at the April MEC meeting.

4. The Kleitman Woods Project that kicked off on June 5th was near completion however, due to the frigid temperatures, the work is on hold until the final stages can be completed. MEC is slated to do collaborative planting prior to ribbon cutting. The project is anticipated to be completed on or before May 1, 2018.

5. Town of Morristown Annual CleanUp on Saturday April 21st – MEC to volunteer

V. **Ongoing Business - Committee Reports**

- Board of Adjustment: Chair Denman will provide the MEC with the applications before the BOA
- Planning Board – No updates
- Town Council – Councilwoman Allison Deeb to provide update
- MEC Bylaws -

VI. **2018 MEC Initiatives –**

The following Initiatives identified at the January 2018 meeting:

- **MEC End of Year Flyer**
 - MEC Quarterly Flyer
- **Environmental Pet Safe Rock Salt Initiative**
 - Offering Residents P.F. Rock Salt (pickup centralized location)
 - Reduced Cost purchasing in bulk
 - Residents pre-order by weight

J. Barrick to speak with Town Attorney & provide feedback
- **MEC Composter Initiative**
 - Offering Residents Composters at Reduced Fixed Rate
 - Including Composting Workshops
 - Composting Centralized location

Chair Denman to provide details from Town of Cranford on how initiative done and then report back to J. Barrick
- MEC One-Park-Per-Year
- Fall Lakes Cleanup
- MEC to focus on One-park-per-year Theme
- Environmental Grants
 - Possible add-on of WiFi networks
 - Big Belly Trash Receptacles
 - Bottle Filling stations
- Board of Adjustment / Planning Board Application Comment Letters
Commissioner Pylypchuk to provide draft example for MEC review/consideration next month.

8. **Sub-Committee Updates – Upcoming Events**

Community Outreach Committee

MEC Flora/Fauna Planting Collaboration at Foote’s Pond. September date was delayed and a Spring planting will be planned together with the Friends of Foote’s Pond & MEC in the area of Foote’s Woods best suitable for a “Collaborative Planting”

Annual Mayor’s Lakeside Cleanup

Subcommittee Chair Grigas to schedule meeting during the next month