



## **Morristown Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes**

### **Regular Meeting**

February 6, 2018

7:30pm Meeting, Room 201

Morristown Town Hall

### **Commissioners Present:**

Maureen Denman, Chair

Steve Pylypchuk

Justin Davis

Priscilla Grigas

Marc Baumann, Secretary

Councilwoman Allison Deeb (Council Liaison)

Don Ginsburg, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alternate

### **Commissioners Excused:**

Gabriella Tango, 1<sup>st</sup> Alternate

Nathan Umbriac

**7:30pm:** Meeting called to order by Chair Denman

### **Roll Call**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made and properly seconded to approve the minutes of the January 2, 2018 regular meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote by acclamation

**Open Public Session:** One member of the public present. Rachel Prusso of 6 Tiffany Road Morristown, NJ attended the meeting to see what the MEC is all about and learn a little more about what is going on with respect to the environment in Morristown. Rachel is interested in contributing to MEC initiatives and staying involved in any way she can. Chair Denman debriefed Rachel and the MEC with a general overview of the MEC's contribution to the Town.

### **New Business:**

#### **Office of the Mayor & Business Administrator**

- Don Ginsburg has been appointed by the Mayor as the Second Alternate on the Commission
- Councilwoman Allison Deeb has volunteered to be the Council Liaison for the Commission.
- Mayor's Spring Lake Cleanup  
A date has been chosen for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mayors Lakeside Cleanup. May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 2pm. SmartWorld Coffee will provide Breakfast. A subcommittee meeting will be held regarding preparations for the cleanup.
- ANJEC 2017 Open Space Grant  
The Town has been awarded a \$1,500 grant for the Elliot Street Garden project. An in-kind donation has been made to match the grant amount. Chair Denman has requested a debrief on progress of Elliot St for the March MEC meeting from the Town engineer and Councilman Armington
- Foote's Pond  
Town Engineer Anthony Devizio to share preliminary results at the March MEC Meeting
- Kleitman Woods Project is near completion and will resume final stages of work once weather improves. Anticipated completion date is May 1, 2018.



### **Ongoing Business:**

- Board of Adjustment - No applications with environmental impacts at this time.
- Planning Board - No applications with environmental impacts at this time. Planning Board Liaison seat vacant on MEC.
- Town Council - No update from Councilwoman Deeb.
- MEC Bylaws - No update.

### **2018 Initiatives**

Chair Denman requested all commissioners bring ideas for 2018 initiatives to the January meeting to discuss. The following ideas were discussed:

- MEC End of Year Flyer
  - MEC Quarterly Flyer
    - MEC to put together quarterly flyer with information and updates as to MEC activity.
- Community Gardens
- Fall Cleanup
- Big Belly Trash Receptacles
- Composters
  - Chair Denman has a call into the Chair's of Cranford and Madison EC's regarding their successful initiatives. MEC to outline how it would work for Town to discuss.
- Rock Salt alternatives
  - Town Administrator Barrick to discuss with Town attorney. The idea of an email blast to gauge interest of residents was floated. The goal would be to get residents on board and obtain lower purchase price for buying in bulk. A centralized pickup location would be needed with a variety of dates for residents to pick up.
- School Recycling
- Bottle Filling stations
- Single Stream Recycling
  - Comes down to money. It is cheaper to keep current format.
- Board of Adjustment / Planning Board Application Comment Letters
  - Commissioner Pylypchuk to draft example letter for MEC to discuss idea further at February Meeting
- One-park-per-year MEC Focus
  - MEC to pursue
- Environmental Grants

**8:00pm** Chair Denman excused for personal matters. Secretary Baumann to finish the meeting.

**Meeting Adjourned 8:31pm**

Next meeting March 6, 2018 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Marc W. Baumann, Secretary