



## **Morristown Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes**

### **Regular Meeting**

September 3, 2019

7:30pm Meeting

Morristown Town Hall

### **Commissioners Present:**

Maureen Denman, Chair

Steve Pylypchuk

Don Ginsberg

Priscilla Grigas

Nathan Umbriac

Councilwoman Alison Deeb (Council Liaison)

**7:31pm:** Meeting called to order by Chair Denman

### **Roll Call**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion made and properly seconded to approve the minutes of the August, 2019 regular meeting. Motion passed by unanimous vote by acclamation

### **New Business:**

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

- NJ Transit – Patriots Path
  - A letter was sent to NJ Transit on behalf of the MEC to enhance pedestrian and bicycle safety along the parcel of Patriot's Path Speedwell Avenue to Martin Luther King Avenue
  - Survey will be required as work will include a 20 foot easement and fence
- Foote's Pond
  - Chair Denman relayed that a DEP permit would not be required to hydrorake Foote's Pond.
  - Work to begin shortly, with the intention of completing the initial hydroraking by end of year.
  - The Town is awaiting the BID specifications from Masur and is expected to deliver the final proposal by mid-September which will then go out for public bid.
- Speedwell Lake
  - The Town engineers will be taking the next step in treatment of the invasive water chestnuts on Speedwell Lake
- Burnham Pond
  - An assessment of the riparian zone and invasive species was recently performed and will be forthcoming at our October MEC meeting
- Plastic Bag Ordinance – Chair Denman scheduled meeting with Parsippany Environmental Committee member Judy Hernandez and Councilwoman Janice McCarthy who spearheaded the Plastic Bag Ordinance Ban in Parsippany for September 16<sup>th</sup>.
  - She will request they come to October MEC meeting & present to the Board.
- Mayor's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Lakeside Cleanup
  - To be scheduled in mid-November
    - Chair Denman to follow up with the mayor's office to confirm date
    - Chair Denman to discuss with mayor's office



- Fall Festival
  - Will be held from 12pm to 5pm on September 29<sup>th</sup>
    - Chair Denman will send email to commissioners to volunteer for time slots

#### **Council Liaison Report**

- Alison noted the Parsippany Environmental Commission is moving forward with a plastic ban and was interested in gauging supporting in Morristown

#### **Ongoing Business**

- Board of Adjustment - No application for MEC review before the BOA
- Planning Board – No updates

#### **Meeting Adjourned 8:41 pm**

Next meeting October 1, 2019 at 7:30pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Nathan Umbriac