

**TEWKSBURY TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES
September 12, 2016**

The Tewksbury Township Environmental Commission met at a regular meeting on the above date in the Municipal Meeting Hall, 60 Water Street, Mountainville, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 p.m., roll call taken and a quorum established.

Present: Chris Teasdale, Chairman, Mary Ace, Geoffrey Connor, Glenn Likus, Matt Grobert, Mario Colitti arrived at 7:56 p.m. and Rodney McCatharn, Alt. #1.

Absent: Bruce Mackie

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

Chris Teasdale announced that adequate notice of the meeting had been provided by posting a copy thereof on the Municipal Building bulletin board, mailing a copy to the Hunterdon Review and the Hunterdon County Democrat, and filing with the municipal clerk, all on January 13, 2016.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Those present stood and pledged allegiance to the American flag.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Teasdale opened the meeting up to the public. There being no one in the audience with questions, Mr. Teasdale closed the public participation portion of the meeting.

MINUTES

- May 9, 2016

The minutes of May 9, 2016 were approved by motion of Mr. Connor and seconded by Mr. Grobert. All were in favor. Ms. Ace abstained.

- August 8, 2016

The minutes of August 8, 2016 were approved by motion of Mr. Likus and seconded by Mr. Grobert. All were in favor. Mr. Connor abstained.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) ANJEC Report Summer 2016.
- b) A letter dated September 12, 2016 from Shana Goodchild re: Appl. No. 16-10, Block 11, Lot 22.07, use and sign variance.

Mr. Teasdale read through and explained to the Commission the above referenced variance application. The Commission reviewed the application material and felt that it was a non-environmental issue and therefore the Commission had no comment on the

application.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Updates – Land Use Board

Due to Mr. Mackie's absence the LUB update was tabled.

- Pascale Pond – Water Chestnuts

Mr. Teasdale noted that Ms. Goodchild brought to his attention that the water chestnuts have returned. They have surfaced on the west end of the pond. Mr. Teasdale explained that he waded in with his rake but the rake broke and he opined that there is no way for one (1) person to clear the new growth therefore he recommended to the Township that the herbicide be applied again in the Spring.

- Community Well Test Program

Mr. Teasdale noted that Mr. Mackie sent out the blurb about well water testing to the Tewksbury Times. Mr. Grobert volunteered to help on Wednesday, October 19th and Mr. Connor volunteered for Thursday, October 20th.

MISCELLANEOUS

Mr. Teasdale reminded Commission members that October's meeting is the 17th due to the Columbus Day holiday. Ms. Ace offered to try and schedule the arborist she knows to speak to the Commission in either October or December. Mr. Likus asked if the arborist could explain some of the tree blights.

Mr. Colitti provided everyone with t-shirts from the Annual River Cleanup.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Grobert made a motion to adjourn at 8:06 p.m. Mr. Likus seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Shana L. Goodchild
Land Use Administrator