

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
September 2, 2015, 7:30 pm Meeting

At 7:40 Peter Ardito called the meeting to order with the following announcement: In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was made. It was included in the 2015 annual notice posted in the Borough Hall. Copies have been mailed to THE RECORD, NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS, and the NORTH JERSEY SUBURBANITE. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

Roll Call: Peter Ardito-present Cindy Kennedy-present
 MaryAnn Schran-present Michelle Ryan-present
 Anne Lander-present Theresa Hazelton-present
 Joannie Turner-present

Mary Ann moved to approve minutes; Cindy seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Green Team

Clean-up is planned to take place Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 – 12. The site(s) is/are to be determined.

Mary Ann asked for ideas to post on Face Book and Word Press.

Possible Eagle Scout projects were discussed:

It was suggested that

- 1) The GT reach out to the Boy Scouts to maintain trails.
- 2) Recycling information be placed in kiosks at parks and tennis courts.

Sustainable NJ was discussed.

Finances

GT \$579.25
Tree Bank \$7594.51
Bergen County (from clean-ups) \$900.00
Funds for spring clean-up has not yet been received

Town Day

- Peter will make lemonade.
- Theresa will package her home- maid chocolate chip cookies, 4/bag @ \$5.00
- Cindy ordered and prepaid for stuffed breads from Amato Bakery; \$5.00/bread. Anne will pick them up.
- Joanie is preparing a recycling game.
- Set up will begin at 11:00.
- Manning the tables at the event:
 - Peter, Michele, Joanie, Judy, Joon, and Anne.

Theresa requested that the Petting Zoo be eliminated at next year's event, because of concern about animal welfare.

ERI

The first bill for 1/12 of the work has been submitted. Cindy requested that the amount of work be verified. There was discussion on who is managing the project and whether benchmarks are being reviewed. The discussion should continue at the next meeting.

Oil Train

Peter reported on a conversation with a representative from Rep. Scott Garrett's office, the first time he has had any feedback on the issue from the representative.

United Water

It was pointed out that the fields on Columbus Avenue are overgrown. United Water does not appear to be maintaining the area as it did in the past. The issue of the Company's responsibility needs to be discussed at the next meeting.

Joanie observed that areas of grass on Old Hook Road, near Bogart's Mill Road appear to have been treated with a chemical herbicide. She questioned if it is known who is responsible.

Mary Ann moved that the meeting be adjourned at 9:05. Theresa seconded. All in favor. Carried.

Submitted by Anne Lander