

**MIDDLE TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 28, 2019**



Meeting called to order at 6:43 PM

Reading of Open Public Meetings Act Statement by  
Chairman

I hereby declare that notice has been given to  
the Herald Times and posted on the bulletin board  
of the Middle Township Municipal Building, stating the time and  
place of the following meeting, as required in P.L. 1975, Chapter  
231 of the State of New Jersey. (Sunshine Law).

**ATTENDANCE :**

**MEMBERS:** Vilma Pombo, Dawn Stimmel, Rachel Shepherd, Amanda  
DeVico, Tarin Mason

**ABSENT:** Larissa Smith, Jim Amenhauser, Betsy Haskin, Shannon  
Feltwell, Josh Nemeth

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Approval of Minutes - JANUARY 16, 2018

On Motion By: Rachel Shepherd                      Seconded By: Tarin Mason

Approved by all

**Communications**

- JMT Engineering – Replacement of Fishing Creek Pump Station – Application to NJDEP (Letter dated 10/16/2018 – enveloped date stamped 1/16/19.) **NO COMMENT – Actually in Lower Twp.** – up to DEP...nothing EC can do.
- AC Elec – Blanket Permit –NJDEP file #0000-14-0010.1 FHA 14001 – Replacement of existing 12kV distribution poles and one new pole. **NO COMMENT** – up to DEP. Repairing poles along N. Wildwood Blvd.
- Cape May County – NJDEP Freshwater Wetlands General Permit and Waterfront Development Individual Permit - Avalon Blvd. (CR 601) Over Ingrams Thoroughfare Bridge – Deck Reconstruction **NO COMMENT** – hopefully done before summer.
- Polistina Associates/Craig Hurless – Applicant: Robert & Elizabeth Haines - Address: 358 Rt 47 S - Block 472; Lot 9 – Use Variance and Major Site Plan – going before Zoning Board 2/14/2019 **NO COMMENT** – already went before the board. Does not say anything about having to go to the DEP for this.
- Mott Associates LLC - Applicant: Langford/Laguna Oaks – Address: N/A – Block 335.0: Lot(s) 5.02; Use Variance and Major Site Plan – going before Zoning Board 2/14/2019 **NO COMMENT** – already went before the board. Vilma thinks he had permission before on this.
- Public Notice – Application to NJDEP – CAFRA Individual Permit and Freshwater Wetlands General Permit – Guiderail and Embankment Improvements along SH Blvd **NO COMMENT** – Glad this is being improved.

- Roux Associates – Applicant: Gerald Shoaf – Address: 807 SH Blvd – Block 313; Lot(s) 102 – application for Coastal Individual Permit to NJDEP – fixing pier, ramp dock, floating dock and boat mooring. **NO COMMENT**
- Pennoni – Applicant – Kelly Ann Willis, PE, SJ Gas – Address: 650 Shunpike Rd. – Block 354.02 – Lot(s) 3 --Burleigh CNG Facility addition **NO COMMENT** – 30 day comment period beginning March 6<sup>th</sup> and continuing for 30 calendar days.

American Littoral Society – Notice of Proposed Cooks Beach Restoration – Continuing restoration efforts in the Delaware Bay to keep sand on the beach to further reduce corrosion. EC sees no problem with this....a good thing.

**Old Business** – Letter of Support from Mayor Donohue for 2019 Sustainable NJ Grant

**New Business**

**Reports – Tarin Mason – Report on Recycling at the schools** – She and Lynn Crumbock have been doing undercover work at all the schools...taking pictures of all of the recycling and lack of recycling.....worst at the elementary level where it should actually begin. Everything is being thrown into one trash can, which is usually a recycling trash can with a bag in it...throwing a lot of paper in with the regular trash and they use a lot of paper. Then, at the high school a couple of weeks ago, went into cafeteria and they had great recycle bins next to the trash cans, which was new from last year, but they all had bags in them...you cannot bag recyclable trash. The next morning she went out to the back where all the trash goes, and all the recyclables were tied up in bags in the trash can. She and Lynn had a meeting with one of the teachers Mara Lambert, she is going to be the Environmental Ambassador at the high school...has a couple of kids that are helping her. The janitors carts have one trash area...they need a 2 trash area cart to bring the recyclables to the right place, and then when they take them, they have to be told they cannot put the recyclables in bags. On March 8<sup>th</sup>, Tarin is going, as a representative of the MTEC, and do the inspections with Lynn...all the schools are going to be inspected...they can make recommendations on how to properly recycle. Thinking about applying for grants for the proper carts for the janitors. Another thing we could do as an EC member....don't put your recyclables out when it is raining because then they will not be picked up as recyclables, they will be picked up as trash because they are now wet. She would like to contact Nancy Sittineri to see what types of recycling grants we could apply for.

**Comments** – Vilma got a call from Special Services School wanting

to know if the EC was interested in participating in the Green Fair on March 22, they will provide a table, we just have to take material. If anyone would like to go and be there for about an hour. It is inside and he said no one really has to be there to attend to the table. Students will be performing their annual spring concert focusing on recycling and sustainability efforts.

Next meeting is March 20, 2019 at 6:30

Meeting adjourned 7:25 PM

On Motion By: Tarin Mason

Seconded By: Rachel Shepherd

Motion passed to adjourn meeting. Approved by all.