# WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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## Minutes of February 2, 2017 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Vicky Binetti. Also attending tonight's meeting were Ann Culkin, Russ Price and Sean Longfellow. Since there was not a quorum of Commission members, no official action was taken.

#### Guests

#### **Treasurer's Report**

In the absence of Anne Hastings, there was no Treasurer's Report.

## **Old Business**

Since we did not have a quorum present at tonight's meeting, no official business was transacted; however upcoming WTEC events were discussed informally.

## Earth Day/Arbor Day

Vicky Binetti distributed and reviewed the updated list of activities planned for the month of April, to celebrate both Earth Day and Arbor Day. Although most events are firmly scheduled, some have yet to be finalized.

## **Environmental Resource Inventory Update**

Vicky reported that the Planning Board has designated a three-person subcommittee to participate in the Team to update the Township's ERI. The Historical Commission has also agreed to

participate in the Team. Ann Culkin volunteered to join the ERI Team, as well. An initial teleconference including several members of the Team and The Land Conservancy of New Jersey was held on January 12<sup>th</sup> to review documentation needed from the Township. We expect to receive an initial set of maps by February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Open Space and Recreation Plan Update

Vicky reported that a Request for Quotes to update the OSRP was issued to five organizations on January 20<sup>th</sup>, and proposals are due by February 10<sup>th</sup>. The Planning Board subcommittee mentioned above and representatives of the Historical Commission and the Sports Advisory Board will participate in the process to update the OSRP.

## **Annual Report**

Vicky Binetti noted that the Annual Report of the Commission's 2016 activities and accomplishments is in preparation.

Vicky mentioned that ANJEC is sponsoring a training session, "Fundamentals for Environmental Commissioners" (basic and advanced sessions) on March 4 (Cranford), March 25<sup>th</sup> (Cranbury) and April 1<sup>st</sup> (Egg Harbor Township). Also, ANJEC is hosting a class given by Rutgers Cooperative Extension Water Resources Program on "Complying with New Jersey Storm Water Regulations" on February 16<sup>th</sup>, in Pennsville. There is no charge for members wishing to attend either of these training events.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Submitted by:

/s/Dorothy Hunter

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