

MONTVILLE TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES FOR MAY 19, 2021
7:30pm

CALL TO ORDER

STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

“As required by the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided. The notice specified the time and place of the meeting to the extent known at the time. The notice was posted on the bulletin board at the Municipal Building, sent to the Daily Record and was placed on file in the Township Clerk’s Office.”

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Lawrence Kornreich, Kevin Fitzpatrick, Pam Misiewicz, Bansari Shah, Joseph Daughtry, Jonathan Antal, Kim Arminio, Matthew Kayne
Absent with excuse; Alexander Nesterok

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Adjustment – Pam Misiewicz stated that they met on May 5. They discussed Lakeland Bank, Morris Animal Inn and a house variance. A special hearing will be held on May 20th to discuss Augustus Automotive and the senior development on Changebridge Road.

Design Review – no report

Economic Development – Lawrence Kornreich had no report.

Health Department – No report.

Open Space Committee – Pam Misiewicz stated the committee met and discussed the Girl and Boy Scout project at Reilly Field. There will be a site walk this Friday.

Planning Board – Lawrence Kornreich stated they are discussing Juve. The 2 story addition at Seabreeze was approved. Catbridge on Main Road was also approved. There will be a new gas station next to Bonefish Grill.

Township Committee – Matt Kayne stated that the Covid numbers are very low. He is still working with the Board of Public Utilities regarding Altice. He is hoping for a resolution in the next few months.

School Activities – Lawrence Kornreich had no report.

MINUTES

Motion made by Lawrence Kornreich to approve the March 17, 2021 minutes, seconded by Kim Arminio. All in favor by voice vote

CORRESPONDENCE

Seabreeze – 441 Main Road - There are some concerns that are being addressed. They are located in the limited aquifer area. The Planning Board has already approved the application. Jane stated they will need a report from the commission for the file.

*** Jonathan Antal made motion to file a report with no comment for Seabreeze 441 Main Road. Seconded by Pam Misiewicz. All in favor by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Milk Weed Seed packets were distributed by Conductor's and Bader Farms.

Native Seed distribution was very popular and approximately 200 packets were given out.

Tap into Montville did an article regarding recycling. There is also a printed flyer that has been posted on the Township website and Facebook.

Terracycle drop off bins are at a few locations within the Township for cork, bottle caps, plastic wrap and to go containers.

Sustainable Jersey Certification – They have already met the requirements but there is a lot of paperwork involved. Deadline is in June so they will attempt to reapply next year. There is grant money involved.

Trine Entholt is doing a Community Park Plot. She will do all the work. Donations were made for mulch and plants. Food will be donated to the Food Pantry. Bansari Shah would like volunteers to help with watering and distributing food at the Pantry.

OLD BUSINESS

Billboard Contest – Jonathan Antal states that the names and artwork have been displayed.

Plastic Bag Ban – Kim Arminio stated letters were drafted to go to business owners. She will touch base regarding contacting the members of the Chamber of Commerce. ANJEC will hopefully supply signs that can be hung up in store windows.

Sewing for Sustainability – 130 produce bags were made and distributed at Village Market.

Earth Week Virtual Fair – 8 events held on Zoom. She is hoping to do another one at the end of June.

Joe Daughtry attended a climate change seminar. Coastline reduction and higher temperatures expected to increase. They also talked about reducing the carbon footprint. Bansari Shah asked if anything can be done on local level.

Commission comments on applications – Lawrence Kornreich suggested someone from the commission sit on the Technical Review Committee. He would like to volunteer to attend the meetings.

Alternate 2 – Matt Kayne will check with the Township Clerk regarding applications.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Lawrence Kornreich and seconded by Kim Arminio, the meeting was adjourned at 8:11pm. All in favor