

OCEAN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Regular Meeting

May 23, 2011

7:00 PM

Meeting began at 7:00 PM.

Call to Order – Flag Salute

Open Public Meeting Act – Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, sending copies of the notice of the meeting properly provided adequate notice of the meeting to the Asbury Park Press and the Press of Atlantic City. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building.

Roll Call:	Ed Covitz	Lorraine Flohr	Heide Geary
	Jack Henderson	Bob Knowles	Tom Leaming
	Don Lippincott	Ken Bynoe	

Members absent: Pola Galie

Committeewoman Wetter was also in attendance.

Chairman asked to take action on the minutes of May 3, 2011. After a discussion regarding a few minor changes, a motion was made to accept the minutes by Mr. Bynoe, seconded by Mr. Leaming. All in favor: (aye).

There was no correspondence to review this month. Secretary copied resource papers for the commission.

OLD BUSINESS

Clean-Up Day - Mr. Ambrosio approached and updated the board regarding Clean-Up Day. There is no longer a grant for tires. The Township will have to pay for them to be picked up. \$1.50 each for passenger tires, large truck tires are \$7.00 each, anything bigger such as backhoe tires could be in the upwards of \$45.00 each. After a discussion the Commission decided to only accept passenger tires due to the new cost. Last year Mr. Ambrosio estimated we collected 500 tires.

Oil and antifreeze drums will be available to keep them separated and the oil clean.

Paint bins will be available – Mr. Ambrosio has 8 and he hopes to get an additional 8. Latex paint only. No oil base, no stain.

Asbestos can be taken in bags. Grass clippings go into dumpster and are not recycled. Batteries are taken. No gasoline (nothing flammable – no aerosols). Concrete and metal can still be taken. Mr. Ambrosio spoke about switching dumpster companies. The new company will also provide a person on site to coordinate dropping/picking up of containers.

Mr. Ambrosio will be taking control of checking ID's. The Commission took a poll and the majority felt it would be beneficial to check ID's this year. Mr. Ambrosio will get a sign made to put at the entrance that says "have ID's ready". Chairman suggested Matt handles how he

sees fit. Mr. Ambrosio is concerned with the event growing as much as it does each year, it could become un-affordable in the future. Mr. Ambrosio will work up a plan and let the Committee know through the secretary. Chairman will bring the camera. Mr. Ambrosio can contact Bob Vossler from the paper to come down and take pictures.

Mr. Bynoe left the meeting at 7:45 PM.

Mr. Leaming asked about the number of employees involved. Mr. Ambrosio said it is necessary to keep the cars moving. Last year Barnegat employees helped for a few hours as well. The only employee from Barnegat scheduled for both days is the operator of the front end loader.

Founder's Day – Secretary acquired the fertilizer hand-outs from Oceangro. Mr. Ambrosio will try to get a sign made that says “Environmental Commission” for Founder's Day. Mr. Ambrosio will deliver the handouts, tables, chairs and tent.

Rail Trail Signs – Mr. Knowles inquired with Barnegat how they had installed their rail trail signs. Coastal Heritage Trail made up the signs. There was a DEP grant for part of it. Permission was needed. Department of Forestry also requires permission. Living Landscapes put in the posts and installed the signs. There is interest in this sort of sign for our rail trail, however this was tabled until the next meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Rott, 179 Wells Mills Road spoke. The old cemetery has been cleaned up. Waste Management is advertising now that they will drop and pick up canvas bags. Mr. Ambrosio has already inquired to Waste Management and they do not have this available yet.

A motion to close was made by Mr. Leaming, seconded by Mr. Knowles. Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth O'Connor
Secretary