

**TOWNSHIP OF EVESHAM
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES**

October 2, 2023

6:30 PM

Municipal Bldg.

Call to Order

Chairperson Higginbotham called the meeting to order at 6:40 PM.

Flag Salute

Statement of Conformance

This is a regular meeting of the Evesham Township Environmental Commission. This meeting is compliant with the Open Public Meeting Act and other applicable laws of the State of New Jersey.

This Commission is advisory, and this meeting shall be conducted in an orderly manner. Any questions or comments will be limited to issues relevant to what the Commission may consider in reaching a decision in its advisory role.

Roll Call

Present: Higginbotham, Paone (7:05), Staff, Gonzalez

Absent: Lieberman, DuCoin

Also Present: Cooper Councilwoman, and Katelin Student Liaison, Kevin Rijs Direction of Community Development, Terri Bracchi Recording Secretary

New Business

Allison Eckel, Commissioner , Burlington County Board of County Commissioners.
Department of Environmental Resources

Ms. Eckel likes to visit all 40 Townships to help townships connect to other townships and get information on climate change and grants and funding.

County has best trails and make accessible to southern New Jersey. Doing a feasible study to have interconnected systems.

Old Business

Friends of the Black Run Preserve

Jon Grayson and Rich Taylor – spoke about proposed project lists and upcoming events.

Indian Spring Driving Range Building

Project is moving forward. Comments from the commission has been provided to PB for Thursday night meeting.

Sustainable Jersey FY 2022PSE&G \$2k grant.

Raised pollinator beds next to the community garden. Status Update.

Need direction from the EC, must be done before the end of the year.

EC is ok with option #1.

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Kelly Heard, Bee City. Need to get volunteers for rain gardens and pollinators. Also public education for Township property.

Zane Clark – will put blast and advertisement out for volunteers.

Township logo was reviewed, will be changing words.

Neha and Riti Blunt – working to conserve water in rain gardens, also working on an app.

New Business

Community Solar follow-up with Tracey. Next step. Promoting general projects supported by the Township.

Approval of Minutes

Motion was made by Staff and seconded by Gonzalez to approve the minutes of the September 7, 2023 meeting

Recorded votes;

Ayes: Higginbotham, Paone, Staff, Gonzalez
Motion approved,

Adjournment

Approved by board to adjourn at 8:15 PM.

Approved by Board

Terri Bracchi, Recording Secretary