# CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SEPTEMBER 29, 2022

The Secretary called the meeting of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission to order at 6:48PM. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read and compliance noted.

Present Nancy Scarafile, Roseann Greenberg, Karl Braun, Jane Ryan. Absent: Sarah Dyson, Denise Koetas-Dale and F. Gerry Spence.

## **MINUTES**

## August 30, 2022

A motion was made by Mr. Braun second by Ms. Scarafile to approve the August 30, 2022 meeting minutes. All were in favor; motion carried.

## <u>September 12, 2022</u>

A motion was made by Mr. Braun second by Ms. Scarafile to approve the September 12, 2022 meeting minutes. All were in favor; motion carried.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS

None

#### **DISCUSSION**

#### Rigid Plastic

Ms. Scarafile stated that the collection of plastic will take place on October 8<sup>th</sup>. One Township employee will be on site and she asked for a volunteer from EC. Ms. Scarafile will go from 12-2 and Ms. Greenberg will go from 10-12.

#### Harvest Fest

The event went well. Ms. Greenberg gave out coloring books and information to contact the secretary if interested in the community garden. She spoke to Troy Ulshafer and he suggested 2 pocket parks in the development are which have full sun and water, Mr. Ulshafer will think about it. Once she has all the information put together she will give it to the Township Committee for approval. Ms. Greenberg will look into another grant for 2023. Mr. Braun suggested that the scouts or SEWA group could help out and be involved once approved.

#### Charlotte Rogers Meadow

Ms. Scarafile stated that public works turned over the ground and they had seed left over which they planted. Ms. Scarafile would like to get the approval to purchase seed for the second half and also for the Township meadow. Mr. Braun will get a price quote from Pineland Nursery.

A motion was made by Mr. Braun second by Ms. Scarafile to purchase 2 lbs of seed. All were in favor, motion carried.

## Municipal Meadow

Ms. Scarafile spoke to Mr. Ulshafer about leaving a foot when mowing at the end of February to the end of March. Mr. Braun suggested getting a sign so the residents know it's a meadow and that it doesn't get mowed. Ms. Scarafile will get a price on 2 signs to put one on each meadow.

## Sustainable Grant Funds

Ms. Scarafile stated that the remaining \$1,300.00 was applied to the ERI and has been cleared out by September 30, 2020.

## EC Logo

Mr. Braun stated that the NBC students have given us a couple choices. Ms. Greenberg stated that none of them really fit our town. The logo should represent land/air/water and Chesterfield farming. All four things should be on it.

## ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Ms. Scarafile asked the board to send her the area that you want to take on for the ERI and she will compile the emails to send to Miles. Ms. Braun suggested identified specific areas and assign a map that shows the points of interest. Ms. Scarafile would like to have the map by the end of October for the October 26<sup>th</sup> meeting with Miles.

The secretary stated it was brought to her attention that a roll call was not done at the beginning of the meeting.

Present: Mr. Braun; Ms. Greenberg; Ms. Scarafile and Ms. Ryan. Absent: Ms. Dyson; Ms. Koetas-Dale and Mr. Spence.

ERI announcement was sent to the Township and asked that it be posted on our social media accounts.

Mr. Braun asked that the memo he drafted be sent to Mr. Hirsh regarding the Wawa replanting, the secretary stated it was sent out this morning.

#### INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

A motion was made by Ms. Greenberg second by Mr. Braun to open for public comment. All were in favor, motion carried.

Sherry Dudas – 258 Crosswicks-Ellisdale Rd. She thanked the secretary for doing the roll call, on line it's hard to see who is present. She asked about the Sustainable Grant Funds transfer, she was told that the composting workshop was being rescheduled. Ms. Scarafile stated that there were not enough residents signed up. She asked how it was decided to spend the funds elsewhere, Ms. Scarafile informed her that it was decided at the last EC meeting by the board. She asked if the Township Committee then voted to accept the decision to which Ms. Scarafile was unsure how that was done. Mr. Sahol handled the communication between the Township and Sustainable. Ms. Dudas asked Ms. Greenberg who would be applying for the grants for the community garden, Ms. Greenberg stated that she is unsure at this time because she doesn't know what Sustainable requires. Ms. Dudas suggested that before too much time is spent on it that

the board gets a commitment from the Township. She also stated that there is a public education component in the grant that she wrote for the NRI that should be thought about.

Hearing no further comment a motion was made by Mr. Braun second by Ms. Scarafile to close public comment. All were in favor, motion carried.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on a motion was made by Ms. Greenberg second by Mr. Braun to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aggie Napoleon, Secretary