

Environmental Commission Minutes

Town of Belvidere

Warren County, New Jersey

October 25, 2018

Tammy Koop opened the meeting of the Belvidere Environmental Commission at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance and read the following notice in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act: In accordance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, notice of this meeting was given by way of notice filed with the Star Gazette and/or the Express-Times, filed in the Municipal Clerk's Office and posted in the Belvidere Town Hall, 691 Water Street, Belvidere, NJ.

Roll Call:

Present: Patricia Butler, Carolyn Cerbone, Tammy Koop, Elizabeth Merring (arrived at 7:25pm)

Absent: Andreas Eisenberger, Justin Lutz, Calvin Thompson

Other attendees: Ryan Jiorle, AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassador

Previous Business:

Tammy Koop updated on Trex Challenge. Methodist Church earned a bench. Presbyterian Church is currently collecting. BEC will offer to continue to support future groups in the Challenge. Meeting scheduled with Lions on November 12th with Kathie Luton from the Methodist Church, Betty Merring will attend as BEC representative.

Tammy Koop introduced Ryan Jiorle, AmeriCorps NJ Watershed Ambassador. He explained their program to members. He discussed various presentation and programs that his group could partner with BEC on. Discussion and agreement on November 17th as a roadway cleanup between BEC and NJ Watershed. Discussion on location, Manunka Chunk Rd will be primary location and depending on number of volunteers, possible on Pequest River by Race St. Ryan would need a letter of support for the partnership. Ryan would provide a sign in sheet for his record. Pending Green Team members will be asked to participate. We also need to decide of how/where to dispose of trash/recycling collected.

Further discussion on a winter program at CC@B. Ryan Jiorle has a program in mind suitable for all ages called Dragonfly Pond. Carolyn Cerbone will contact Mark Young at CC@B with 2

possible January dates. Tammy Koop will arrange dates with Ryan Jiorle. Discussion on a spring event, a stream sample to be done by Ryan Jiorle. No dates were discussed at this time.

New Business:

Discussion on November meeting date. Carolyn Cerbone recommended to meet one time in November and December. It was decided that we would meet on December 6th and cancel December 27th meeting. Tammy Koop will check availability of meeting room at town hall with Teresa and advise.

Public Comment:

There was no public comment at this time.

A motion was made by Tammy Koop, seconded by Carolyn Cerbone and carried to adjourn the meeting of the BEC..

Respectfully submitted,

Tammy Koop

Belvidere Environmental Commission Chair