

Lebanon Township Environmental & Open Space Commission

Agenda

Jun 14th, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act", notice has been given that the Lebanon Township Environmental and Open Space Commission hosts its regular meetings on the first Monday of every month. Notice of this meeting was published in the Hunterdon County Democrat. This April meeting will be hosted via Zoom due to the COVID pandemic.

AGENDA

Topic	Description
Kickoff, Roll Call & Connecting Moment	Call meeting to order and take roll call.
Presentation of Minutes	Review and approval of Meeting Minutes. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Regular Meeting – April 5th – All approving except Mr. Chen.• Regular Meeting – May 3rd – All approving.• Rescheduling of July and September EOSC meetings due to holiday conflicts.
Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bill Bohn Woodglen Road Open Space opportunity (Duckworth)• Whitehall Open Space opportunity (Schmidt)• Well testing (Koch)• Tire recycling (Schmidt)• Forest Stewardship Plan (Lawler, Petzinger)• Chevron Pipeline Removal project (Lawler)• Hunting Program (Duckworth)• Great Waters Initiative (Duckworth)• Musconetcong Studies (Lawler)
New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• None

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Minutes

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ROLL CALL

EOSC Member	Role	Attendance
Adam Duckworth	Chairman, Planning Board Liaison	X
Sharon Petzinger	Member	X
Warren Newman	Member	X
Erik Jan Henriksen	Member	X
Nancy Lawler	Member	Regrets
Sharon Hardy	Member	X
Kathy Koch	Member	X
Marty Collett	Alternate 1	X
Mike Chen	Alternate 2	Regrets

MEETING MINUTES

Topic	Description
Kickoff, Roll Call & Connecting Moment	<p>Call meeting to order and take roll call.</p> <p>Minutes: Mr. Duckworth called the meeting to order at 7:07p. In addition to the EOSC members noted above, Mayor Schmidt was in attendance.</p>
Presentation of Minutes	<p>Review and approval of Meeting Minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regular Meeting – April 5th – All approving except Mr. Chen. Regular Meeting – May 3rd – All approving. Rescheduling of July and September EOSC meetings due to holiday conflicts. <p>Minutes: A motion was made by Mr. Collett to approve the Minutes from April 5th. It was seconded by Mr. Henriksen and unanimously approved. Mr. Newman made a motion to approve the Minutes from May 3rd. It was seconded by Ms. Koch and unanimously approved.</p> <p>Mr. Duckworth noted the upcoming meetings for July and September conflicted with holidays. Ms. Koch made a motion to move the July meeting to July 12th. It was seconded by Mr. Collett and unanimously approved. Mr. Henriksen made a motion to move the September meeting to September 13th. It was seconded by Ms. Hardy and unanimously approved.</p>

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<p>New Business</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TBD <p>Minutes: There was no new business.</p>

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Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="440 159 553 191">• None <p data-bbox="391 218 1490 279">Minutes: Mr. Duckworth stated he received no correspondence. He asked if anyone else had or if there were any other comments.</p> <p data-bbox="391 306 1500 367">Ms. Petzinger noted that Steve Nicholson had an interest in contributing to trail-building on the neighboring preserved property. She stated she would be willing to walk the property with him.</p> <p data-bbox="391 394 1487 485">Mr. Newman stated that he saw Facebook post. Glen Gardner quarry has engaged in a \$2B deal to sell to Vulcan materials. This could potentially be a new company trying to expand the quarry or perhaps they are shutting it down. We should keep an eye on this.</p> <p data-bbox="391 512 1479 573">A motion was made by Mr. Newman to adjourn the meeting at 8:32p. It was seconded by Mr. Collett and unanimously approved.</p>