

**Borough of Haddon Heights
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
July 20, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

Chair John Babcock called the July 20th, 2016 Business Meeting of the Haddon Heights Environmental Commission (“HHEC”) meeting to order at 7:07 PM.

Roll Call:

John Babcock	Present	Jackie Parisi	Present
Dave Cox	Present	Bruce Koch (Alt.)	Present
Susan Griffith	Present		
Marshall Hatfield	Present	TBD (Comm.)	OPEN
Kevin Murphy	Excused	TBD (Alt.)	OPEN

Public Comment:

No one from the public was present.

Housekeeping:

- Bill Rafter has resigned from the HHEC effective yesterday, July 19th. The HHEC expressed its appreciation for his service.
- The HHEC now needs two positions filled, one commissioner and one alternate. John asked all members present to look for candidates.

June Minutes Approval:

There was not a quorum for the June 15th business meeting.

Old Business

ANJEC Recreation-Open Spaces-Natural Resources Map:

John B. and Marshall officially presented the map to the Borough Council at the caucus last night, July 19th. It was well received. Marshall has provided approximately 500 copies of the 11 x 17 inch map to both the borough and the library. He said he will email PDF copies to them as well.

TCDI Railroad Corridor DVRPC Grant Update:

The study has been completed. Bruce K noted that Steve Bach had indicated this at the borough meeting last night.

Kings Highway Repaving and Flashing Pedestrian Sign

We had been informed that the funding for the Flashing Pedestrian Sign could not be unbundled from the Kings Hwy Repaving project, and so was on hold until remediation was completed on the drainage pipes.

Federal Highway Admin. Rec. Grants Update:

These grants are not affected by Gov. Christie’s hold on all transportation projects. Regarding the availability of unused earmarked funds, Jackie reminded us that she had sent an email last month that the \$89,000 that appeared to be available was, per Steve Bach,

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already spent or to be spent on contractor fees. Dave C does not believe there are any other monies available.

2016 Sustainable Jersey Actions

Environmental Resource Inventory – Jackie said that she discussed the roll of the HHEC in the Site Planning process when an ERI is in place with Steve Bach at last month's Planning Meeting. She noted that the Planning Board Chairperson, Chris Soriano, was not in attendance. Steve thought it would be okay to provide the HHEC with a copy of a Site Plan prior to the Planning Board review meeting and if the EC wanted to comment on it, they could do so during the public portion of that meeting.'

Jackie said she would need to discuss/review this with Chris before this could be considered as part of the site planning process.

ACTION: Jackie to review HHEC role in Site Planning process once an ERI is in place with Chris Soriano.
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iTree – Street Tree Inventory – No update. Marshall will contact John B and get back to this inventory in August.

Sustainable Land Use Pledge Resolution – Resolution # 2016:137 was passed by council. This is worth 10 points.

Haddon Hts. Master Plan Review

Marshall has posted the complete Master Plan on Drop Box.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business.

Commissioner Comments

John B asked whether another meeting day and/or time would make it any easier for the current members. There would be similar problems with almost any other time. Also a change in meeting dates/times would need to be approved by council and so would not be put into effect until next year.

Adjournment:

Marshall made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Susan and approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:12 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
John Babcock
Acting Secretary

Next Business Meeting – Wednesday, September 21, 2016, 7:00 PM
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