

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMISSION– TOWNSHIP OF OCEAN

**December 1, 2016**

**OAKHURST, NEW JERSEY**

The Regular Meeting was held in the Second Floor, West Wing Conference Room, Town Hall, 399 Monmouth Road Oakhurst, NJ 07755 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

**Present:** Chairman Pogwist  
Member(s) Amelio, Colten, Guadette, Lutz , Brody, Von Gerichten,  
Alternate(s) Johnson  
Associate(s)

**Absent:**  
Member(s)  
Alternate(s) Rogoff  
Associate(s) Gulick, Grove, Stroebel

**Others:** Laura Dorony, Secretary  
Jack Kearns, Resident

**Statement of Compliance with Open Public Meetings Law:**

Chairman Ray Pogwist announced that the notice requirements of the Open Public Meeting Law for this meeting have been satisfied; a copy of the Annual Notice was sent to the Asbury Park Press and The Coaster, posted in Town Hall and filed in the office of the Township Clerk on June 3, 201

A motion to adopt the November 10, 2016 minutes was made by Stephan Guadette and seconded by Fred Brody.

In Favor: Pogwist, Colten, Lutz, Von Gerichten, Amelio, Guadette, Brody  
Opposed: None  
Ineligible: Johnson  
Absent: Rogoff, Gulick, Grove, Stroebel

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION:**

**Follow up from Colonial Terrace Golf Course:**

In 2010 The Environmental Commission asked to analyze the fertilization procedures that were being used at Colonial Terrace Golf Course. The results

showed a fungicide (B-2) that was bad for the environment. The EC is concerned with what is currently being used. Mr. Jerry Maurer spoke at an EC meeting November 10, 2016 and requested that the commission ask for a new analysis and a new contract that would reduce the use of pesticides, making it better for the environment. Chairman Ray Pogwist is going to check with the Rutgers Turf Management School to find out what are their recommendations for fertilizing a golf course. The EC also is going to write a letter to ask that the new contract will hold the company accountable for maintaining the grounds properly.

### **Nobility Crest Review:**

Chairperson Ray Pogwist's main concerns with Nobility Crest are its impact on wildlife, flooding issues, and possible increase in automobile accidents. Originally there were two buildings now there are three. The EC is once again concerned with the waving of the tree preservation plan. Mature trees will be clear cut on site. Member Norm Colten feels it's hard to get information regarding the changes.

### **Next Years Goals:**

The Environmental Commission plans to review their achievements and compare them to other EC's around the state. They would like to start new programs but feel there is not enough manpower or funding to do so. The EC would also like to get an updated NRI will focus on soil, Tree Canopy, watershed, traffic and compare it to other reports in the surrounding region. The EC will check if there are any grants available to help fund a new evaluation. The tree canopy study may provide information needed by the EC. The Tree Canopy conducted four years ago will provide a baseline of information for this ongoing report.

### **Holiday Party:**

The EC will come up with a date at the next meeting.

### **Items for update:**

### **CHAIR'S FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

**Plan Review** –none

**Planning Board Update** – none

**Concerns** –

**Comments** – Member Fred Brody announced the Annual Report of Accomplishments will be presented at a council meeting in January 2017.

**Budget** – None

This meeting was adjourned at 9:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Dorony,

Secretary