

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2015

The March 11, 2014 meeting, of the Bass River Township Environmental Commission, was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by President, Ed Truitt.

Ed Truitt reported the Environmental Commission is being held in conformance with the "Sunshine Law" and the Open Public Meetings Act.

The following members were present: Ed Truitt, Henry Gomez, and Carol Bitzberger and Ken Rose.

The minutes of the January 14, 2014 meeting was made available to all members. A motion to approve the minutes as written was made by Ed Truitt and seconded by Henry Gomez. The motion was carried.

Under old business it was decided by the Commission to not join the ANJEC even though the Commission will have \$500 in their budget. It was decided to use it attend workshops that will help educate the members of the environmental commission on possible projects that can be taken up. A fall workshop "High Performing Environmental Commissions" will be given by the ANJEC. This was discussed and we would like to attend.

It was suggested by the commission that we try and fill the vacancy. Bill Aaronson's name came up and everyone was in agreement that he would be a good candidate. Ed Truitt will speak to the mayor about adding Bill to the Environmental Commission.

There was discussion about grants and the possibility of looking into grant selection and grant writing. The board will keep this on the agenda as ongoing.

It was decided to cancel the April Environmental meeting as one its members would not be able to attend. Everyone on the commission agreed.

Correspondence Addressed:

- Copy of a complaint from the Bass River Fire Department to the Burlington County Health Department concerning a boat fire and diesel fuel spill at the Viking Yacht Marina, dated 11/27/2014. A copy to the Township was not received until Jan 26, 2015. No diesel fuel was deposited into Bass River. (Case #14-11-27-0940-19)
 - No Action needed.

- Copy of a complaint to the Burlington Health Department from the NJDEP concerning odors in the area, reported by resident at 61 West Greenbush Ave.
 - No Action needed, except to track the number of copies received.

- Copy of a letter, dated January 9, 2015 from the Pinelands Commission regarding: Notification of Review of Local Agency Approval(s) Determination(s): for Block 2, Lot 10 Kelly Ann & Marie Nancy Higgins. Approval issued by Burlington County Health Department for Septic System. A Construction permit is to be issued by the Bass River Township Construction Code Official.
 - No Action, approvals are in place.

- Copy of Land Use Application Form to the Township of Bass River, dated February 2, 2015 for a permit to construct a Dog Kennel for 20 dogs. This will be brought up at this February's Planning Board Meeting. Application # is Delois-2015. Address of residence is 118 West Greenbush Ave.
 - There was concern about waste which will be brought up by our environmental representative on the planning board.

- Pinelands Preservation Alliance Dec/Jan 2015 Volume 22 was made available.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:55 p.m. by Ken Rose and seconded by Henry Gomez.

I hereby certify these minutes to be true,

Carol A. Bitzberger
Secretary of the Environmental Commission