

Montvale Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes  
12 Mercedes Drive, Montvale, New Jersey  
Council Chambers at 7:45 pm  
February 12, 2018

Chairman Hanrahan called the meeting of the Environmental Commission to order at 7:45 pm. adequate notice of this meeting was provided to The Record and/or the Ridgewood News, informing the Public of the time and place, according to the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Law (Chapter 231, P.L.1975).

**Roll call:** D. Eichhorn (P), Chairman R. Hanrahan (P), M. Jensen (A), R. Johnson (P), M. Kelly (P), R. Preston (P), L. Skoglund (P), & PB Liaison A. Russo (A)

**Non-Members:** Secretary J. Russo (P) & Councilman D. Koelling (P)

**Contractual Employee:** Gus De Blasio, Maser Consulting P.A. Landscape Architect (A)

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Chairman Hanrahan

**Approval of Minutes**

- A motion to approve the minutes was made by R. Johnson and seconded by L. Skoglund. The minutes were approved & will be posted on the borough website.

**Meeting Opened/Closed to the Public**

- A motion to open the meeting to the Public was made by L. Skoglund & seconded by D. Eichhorn. There was no one from the public wishing to be heard. A motion to close the meeting to the Public was made by L. Skoglund and seconded by R. Johnson

**Communication/Correspondence**

- Invitation from ANJEC regarding training for Environmental Commission Members. L. Skoglund, Chairman Hanrahan, & R. Johnson are attending in March.
- Chairman Hanrahan forward suggestions for Pool Club Property to PB and the sub-committee. Chairman is waiting for next subcommittee meeting. No updates.
- Oath of Office for members were signed.
- Triboro West Power Point (internal use only) was emailed to members
- EC submitted revised 2018 department budget. Waiting for approval from M&C.
- Environmental Activity List- Chairman Hanrahan reviewed the list.
- Flyer for Montvale Clean-up Day on April 28 was modified and approved. Will be distributed and posted on social media.

**New Business**

- List of potential dates for the Special Meeting for Triboro West Project; 1 & 3 Mercedes Drive
- Members view the Triboro West PP and made a list of questions for the special meeting. Additional questions should be emailed to the secretary and list will be composed.
- Chairman Hanrahan & Secretary met with Borough Administrator, Maureen Iarossi-Alwan to discuss the funding for the north & south parks. The M&C denied funding for the project, however, would like the project to be divided into phases. Chairman will contact landscaper architect and request two phases.
- The current plans of downtown area is not an accurate drawing, chairman will email landscape architect.
- Residents contacted the EC to learn more about the Environmental Learning Center and would like to volunteer to enhance the center. The residents were invited to tonight's meeting but did not attend.

## **Old Business**

- Borough accepted the lowest responsible bid for trimming of the tree and in the center of Town Park on Kinderkamack Road. Work will start in next few weeks, weather permitting.
- Huff Park- Dead tree near playground will be removed in next few weeks as part of the center of town tree maintenance program.
- Huff Pond- Chairman Hanrahan asked Council Liaison Koelling to check the status regarding a replacement part for the pond that Mr. Hipolit of Maser Engineering was investigating.
- Field #11 (field next to the United Way Development) is tabled until 2019 due to funding. The field we be open recreational space for the residents.
- Pending tree ordinance continues to be discussed at the M&C meetings.

## **New Business**

- The Planning Board Chairman appointed Annemarie Russo as the planning board liaison. The EC welcomes her. Unfortunately, A. Russo was unable to attend the meeting tonight. The Commission looks forward to meeting and working with Annemarie.

## **Adjournment**

- Chairman Hanrahan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by R. Preston seconded by L. Skoglund. The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 pm.

Members will be emailed in the event a meeting is cancelled. The agenda will be posted on the Borough's website. Members are reminded to notify Janet Russo if they are unable to attend a meeting.

Members will be emailed the date of the special meeting.