

Montvale Environmental Commission Meeting
12 Mercedes Drive, Montvale, New Jersey
Council Chambers at 7:45 pm
Minutes
January 16, 2017

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).

The roll call attendance: D. Eichhorn (P), Chairman R. Hanrahan (P), M. Jensen (P) R. Johnson (P), R. Preston (P), L. Skoglund (P), D. Rowland (Acting Secretary, P), Judy Russo (A), D. Teagno (P)

Non-Member: Councilman Weaver (A), Gus De Blasio, Maser Landscape Architect (A)

Doreen Rowland was acting secretary in Janet Russo's absence.

Pledge of Allegiance – Chairman Hanrahan

Approval of the Minutes from the October Meeting

A motion to approve the minutes from the November 21, 2016 meeting was made by Lisa Skoglund and seconded by Dante Teagno. The minutes were approved & will be posted on the website.

Communication/Correspondence –

R. Hanrahan introduces and welcomes new Committee member Mairead Jensen.

EAB (Emerald Ash Borer) Preparation Checklist.

Letter dated December 27, 2016 from the Mayor of Woodcliff Lake regarding the recent threat of the Emerald Ash Borer.

Letter from the State of New Jersey providing a List of Approved Foresters.

Environmental Commission Activity List –

Chairman Hanrahan displayed the activity list on the overhead projector and reviewed each item.

Applicant -none

Inspection -none

Meeting Opened to the Public

A motion to open the meeting to the Public was made by Dante Teagno and seconded by Richard Johnson. There were two residents from the public present. Said residents expressed their concerns with the proposed tree ordinance.

Old Business

Chairman Hanrahan proposes rather than creating a single tree ordinance it should be considered the Commission adopt multiple ordinances for specific events and situations.

A draft document (Not for public release) prepared by Chairman Hanrahan titled Tree Value in Montvale was distributed. This document is intended to help residents understand the advantages trees provide.

Meeting Closed to the Public

A motion to close the meeting to the Public was made by Lisa Skoglund and seconded by Dante Teagno.

Planning Board Liaison Report

D. Teagno reported that the current applicant before the Planning Board is KPMG, LLC 3 and 75 Chestnut Ridge Road. Application for Preliminary and Final Site Plan Approval, Variances, Environmental Impact Statement Approval and Major Soil Moving Permit

New Business-none

Adjournment

Chairman Hanrahan asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by R. Preston and seconded by L. Skoglund. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is February 13, 2017. Members will be emailed in the event the 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.

Respectively submitted by:

Doreen Rowland
Acting Secretary