

**OCEAN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Minutes – Tuesday, September 9, 2014**

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM at the Senior Center.

**Roll Call** – The following members and guests were present:

Members:

Bob Adams	Pete Ault	Marjorie Brooks
Donna Moore	Marty Mozzo	Jim Tweed
Laurie Taylor (City Rep)		

Guests:

Randy Scheule	Julie Baumgardner
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**Open Public Meetings Announcement** – Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to Public Law 1975, Chapter 231.

**Approval of Minutes** – Minutes of August 19, 2014 meeting were introduced. Motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Pete Ault and seconded by Bob Adams. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Pending Business**

- ANJECE Open Space Study.
  - Randy Scheule talked about the changes he made for the version that was presented at the meeting.
  - There were no comments from the public regarding the Plan.
  - Each commission member was asked for their comments. Generally, all felt that it was an excellent document.
  - The Plan was introduced for vote, Jim Tweed made the motion, Donna Moore seconded it. Approval was unanimous.
  - The next step for the Plan will be a review by the Planning Board. It will be sent to the Planning Board for their next meeting, Wednesday September 10<sup>th</sup>.
- Fall activity planning
  - Clean Ocean Beach Sweep, October 25<sup>th</sup>. The event will be run by Ocean City DPW on this date from 9:00 AM to Noon. There currently will be two stations to assist at, Music Pier and 57<sup>th</sup> Street. Volunteers will be needed to assist at the event, mainly educational efforts. More details will be forthcoming at future meetings.
  - Bay Cleanup – This is an activity which has been going on for several years. Pete Ault will do some phone calls to see if resources can be lined up.
  - May 27, 2015 – Lenape High School wants to bring some students to Ocean City for beach cleanup and educational activities. Volunteers will be needed. Laurie will provide additional information as time draws nearer.
- Submitted Plan Review
  - Pete provided a summary of 6 plans that were submitted to the Commission. There were no comments and no formal action was taken.

- 2015 Goals and Objectives
  - Marty Mozzo requested that each commission member develop ideas which they would be interested in working on in the upcoming year. Possible suggestions are renewing the lecture series with pertinent topics, developing educational literature on environmental issues.
  - This topic will be for discussion at our next meeting.

### **New Business**

- Both Pete and Majorie brought up the topic of Upper Township's Green Team run by Ralph Cooper. We need to evaluate this to see if this makes sense for the Commission to participate.

**Public Comment** – Julie Baumgardner made a comment regarding code issues at the Christian Brother site, 31<sup>st</sup> and Central. Julie's complaints to date were working past 6 PM stop time and cutting down of dune vegetation. Marty explained that our ordinance does not allow watchdog activities. He also explained that development of educational brochures or literature is within Commission guidelines, and we should think about developing them over the coming year. The purpose of the educational material is to inform residents of all neighborhoods what environmental codes are in place for construction activities.

**Meeting Adjourned Approximately 8:00 PM**

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30PM at the Bayside Center.**