OCEAN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Minutes – Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM at the Senior Center. The delay in starting the meeting was because of the last minute change in venue.

Roll Call – The following members were present:

Members:

Marjorie Brooks	John Loeper	Donna Moore
Marty Mozzo	Jim Tweed	KenCooper
Sara Maas	Pete Ault	Laurie Taylor (City Liason)

Dave and Marie Hayes were present as members of the Public.

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

Approval of Minutes – Minutes of January 20, 2015 meeting were introduced. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Jim Tweed and seconded by John Loeper. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Pending Business

- Lecture Series
  - The second lecture was held on February 12th in Room N110 of the library. The speakers were Pat and Clay Sutton and the subject was birding throughout the area. The lecture was a huge success with approximately 60+ people in attendance. Congratulations given to Donna Moore and her committee, Marjorie Brooks and Sara Maas, for an outstanding event.
  - Remaining lectures that are scheduled will be March 19th with the Marine Mammal Institute with Sara Miele making the presentation "Marine Mammals and Sea Turtles"; April 16th with the Wetlands Institute on turtles; May 21st with Pat Sutton on Monarch butterflies; and June 11th with the Stockton Coastal Center on dune restoration.
  - Laurie and Donna will revise the flyer that will be used for advertising each lecture. The Library also will be placing ads in the local newspapers as well as on their website.

- ANJEC 2015 Grants
  - The Bayside Center Grant was placed on hold. The City is contemplating action through the Sustainable Jersey program.
  - In lieu of the Bayside Center, the Commission decided to move ahead with the OCEC Demonstration Dune project to obtain ANJEC funding. Pete Ault is responsible for writing the grant. He will try to get something together for the March 3rd meeting.

- Submitted Plan Review
  - Fifteen plans were reviewed at the meeting. There were no comments from the Commission.

New Business

- Marty informed the Commission that Ocean City has decided to get certified under the Sustainable Jersey program. A Green Team has been established with the following members: Jim Mallon, Joe Clark, Matt Von der Hayden, Laurie Taylor, and Marty Mozzo. Other Environmental Commission members may be called on for contribution as needed.
- Laurie brought up a flyer from Upper Township regarding a meeting on their Farmer's Market. Laurie will verify the correct date of the event and get word out to Commission members.
- John Loeper asked if it was possible to change the first meeting of every month so that the date does not conflict with the Historical Preservation Commission meetings. Marty and Laurie will look into this and change as necessary.

Public Comment – Dave Hayes asked what the status was on curb strip. Marty informed him that nothing had changed since last discussed.

Meeting Adjourned Approximately 8:15 PM. Motion to adjourn was made by Ken Cooper and seconded by Jim Tweed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 4th, 2015, 6:30PM at the Senior Center. Changes in date per Mr. Loeper's request.