OCEAN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION Minutes – Tuesday, October 6, 2015

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:35 PM at the Senior Center.

Roll Call – The following members were present:

Members:

Marty Mozzo Donna Moore Jim Tweed Ken Cooper

Sara Maas Matt von der Hayden (City Liason)

Lia Palaparis (Student Representative)

One Person was present from the public, Godonna Clevenger.

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

Approval of Minutes – Minutes for the meeting of September 22, 2015 were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Ken Cooper and seconded by Jim Tweed. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Pending Business

- ANJEC 2015 Demonstration Dune Grant Update
 - o Marty Mozzo stated that after discussions with Alma George and Chris Miller, we will plant dune grasses and mature beach plums for the fall planting.
 - The fall planting will be done October 24th. Volunteers will be needed.
 - o The beach plum seedlings will be planted sometime in November. We are looking if we can get the High School Ecology Club to assist in the planting.
- Fall/Winter Lecture series
 - o The second lecture that was scheduled for October 15th had to be canceled.
 - The next lecture will be held on November 4th, at 7:00 PM in the library. The topic will be "Save Energy and Money with New Jersey's Clean Energy ProgramTM". The presentation will be given by Kimberly Hoff, Marketing Account Manager at New Jersey's Clean Energy Program TM
- Submitted Plan Review
 - Ken Cooper noted that there were 4 plans that he had. He outlined each plan and asked for comments. There were no comments on these plans.
- Diamondback Terrapins
 - o Donna Moore presented a one page summary on this project.
 - o All commissioners are to review and be prepared to comment at our next meeting.
- 2016 Meeting Dates
 - o Matt presented a handout with 2016 meeting dates and venues. The dates were approved by the commission in the last meeting.

• Student Liaisons

- Three student liaisons have been appointed to the Commission for the upcoming school year. All are seniors. The three will rotate attendance at our meetings.
- o Lia Palaparis attended this meeting. The others are Caitlin Aldridge and Minh Vu.
- o Marty Mozzo explained that the student liaisons are our future and they were welcome to fully participate at our meetings.

New Business

- ANJEC Habitat Restoration & Networking Event
 - o A handout on this event was given to all commission members.
- Spraying Event
 - Donna Moore brought up her complaint regarding a neighbor spraying his lawn with toxic chemicals.
 - The last time this was brought up by Donna, the Commission recommended speaking to code enforcement to see if there are any violations. Code enforcement directed her to her council person, Michael DeVliegler.
 - Donna believes that the spraying is hazardous to the environment. Generally, the commission
 was concerned for her, but felt that there may be other entities that may have code enforcement
 responsibility.
 - o This will be reviewed and a report will be made at the next meeting.

Public Comment – There was no public comment made at the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 PM. Motion to adjourn was made by Ken Cooper and seconded by Jim Tweed.

Next Meeting: October 20th, 2015, 6:30PM at the Senior Center.