

**OCEAN CITY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Minutes – Tuesday, November 14, 2017**

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM at the Small Room Senior Center.

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

<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Present/Absent</b>
Marty Mozzo	Chairperson	Present	Ed McConnell	Commissioner	Present
Pete Ault	Commissioner	Absent	Peter Sollazzo	Commissioner	Present
Chris Halliday	Commissioner	Present	Dave Hayes	Alternate # 1	Absent
John Loeper	Planning Board Appointee	Absent	John Aitken	Alternate # 2	Present
Sara Maas	Commissioner	Absent	Jessica Fenton	City Liaison	Present
Lauren Farschon	Student Liaison	Present	Melissa Kampf	Student Liaison	Present
Fanny Melo	Student Liaison	Present			

Betty Kemenosh was present from the public.

**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 October 10, 2017 were read. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Peter Sollazzo and seconded by Ed McConnell. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Pending Business**

- Student Liaisons Appointed
  - Three Ocean City high school students were introduced as new liaisons.
  - Letters appointing Lauren Farschon, Melissa Kampf and Fanny Melo were sent by the Mayor to each of the students.
  - Marty welcomed them onto the Commission and solicited their participation in our meetings and events.
  
- Fall Lecture Series
  - The first of the 2017-18 series of lectures was presented by Frank Donato on October 24<sup>th</sup>.

- The presentation was on New FEMA maps and requirements.
  - The lecture was well attended by over 60 people. A lively discussion followed with well thought out questions.
  - Frank posted his presentation on the city website for the public to download and review.
- Educational Fact Sheet
    - The objective for the Environmental Commission was to get one or two more approved by year end.
    - Chris Halliday presented three fact sheets to the commission.
      - Run An Energy Efficient Home
      - Go Solar!
      - Respect Wild Animals
    - Motion to approve Peter Sollazzo, seconded by Ed McConnell. Unanimously approved.
    - Jessica to review with the city before releasing to the public.
- Beach Sweep Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup>.
    - The beach sweep was held on October 21<sup>st</sup>.
    - Participants from the Environmental Commission include Jessica Fenton, Chris Halliday, John Aitken, Melissa Kampf, Fanny Melo, and Marty Mozzo.
- Submitted Plan Review
    - Seven (7) plans were submitted for review. There were no environmental issues on any of them.

## **New Business**

- Fall lecture series
  - The second lecture will be held on November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the library. The subject will be Beekeeping, Bee Benefits, and Bee Rescue.
  - Chris Halliday presented a PR flyer on the lecture series.
  - Motion to adopt by John Aitken, seconded by Peter Sollazzo. Unanimously approved.
  - Jessica to provide to Doug Bergen and Julie Brown for publicity.

- Coastal Ecological Resistance Workshop, December 6, 2017 at Stockton Seaview Hotel in Galloway.
  - A handout was given to members of the commission if they were interested in attending.
  
- 2018 Environmental Commission Composition
  - Two members of the current commission will have completed their two full terms and are not eligible by city ordinance to serve into 2018.
  - Two alternate positions likewise are up at the end of 2017.
  - The City will make a public announcement for replacements. Currents members who are eligible to stay on were encouraged to apply.

**Public Comment** – Betty Kemenosh made a public comment on Derby Place. She stated that the neighbors would like this to remain a wetlands not subject to development. Marty Mozzo explained what actions the Environmental Commission is taking to see that this happens.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:40 PM. Motion to adjourn was made by Ed McConnell and seconded by Chris Halliday. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**Next Meeting: December 12, 2017 6:30PM at the Senior Center, small room.**