

ENVIRONMENT AND RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 1, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Environment and Recreation Committee was held on the above date and time with the following members present: Chairperson Wendy Margolis, Joe Frederick, and Ben Bell. Also present were Borough Manager John Davis, Mayor Ron Strouse, and Councilperson Noni West.

Minutes of the July 2019 Committee meeting were approved.

The Committee continued its discussion of the issue of **single-use plastics** in light of the Commonwealth's moratorium on their limitation. After lengthy discussion, the Committee decided to move forward with the draft community survey with some revisions. The Committee will recommend that Council proceed with the survey at the August meeting. Results should be available for the September Committee meeting. The Committee will discuss the next steps in September.

Under **Old Business**, Ben asked if the report to the EAC requested regarding single trash haulers could be shared with him as he has not participated in previous discussions.

The Mayor next presented a memorandum regarding the Borough's tree canopy. The memo focused on downtown street trees, street trees in residential areas, and encouraging tree plantings and maintenance on private property including urban fragmented forests. The Committee will continue to discuss this issue and John will provide some items for consideration in the 2020 budget.

Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Davis
Borough Manager

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