

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Established April 3, 1970

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Diane Burgess, Chair
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Regular Meeting Agenda: Monday, August 26, 2024; 7:30 PM
Via Zoom

I. Open Public Meeting Statement

“This meeting has been duly advertised in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, 10:4-6 et seq. The annual schedule of board meetings has been published in the Hunterdon Democrat newspaper. Copies of the notice have been posted in the Township Municipal Building. This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission.”

II. Call to Order and Roll Call

Name (Term Expires)	1/29/2024 Reorg & Regular	2/26/2024 (cancelled)	3/25/2024	4/29/2024	5/20/2024	6/29/2024	8/26/2024	9/30/2024	10/28/2024	11/25/2024		
Diane Burgess (3 year - 12/31/2025)	√		√									
John Benscoter (3 year - 12/31/2026) - LUB	√		√	√								
Laney Britten (3 year - 12/31/2026)	√		√	√								
John Thonet (3 year - 12/31/2025) – LUB	√			√								
Kevin Carroll (3 year - 12/31/2025)			√	√								

Other attendees:

III. Working Session Status Updates

1. Sustainable Jersey Certification
 - Updated application submitted 7/15/2024 - final notification will be in late September with “ceremony” in Atlantic City in November
2. Well Testing
 - 2024 results were provided (see attached)
 - Samantha from Raritan Headwaters will join us in September to discuss results and any next steps
3. Current Sustainable Jersey grant (\$2,000)
 - John B provide status of spending to date and proposed additional expenditures
4. DEP Tree Giveaway
 - Went very well – any follow-up needed?
 - Great article in Township newsletter
5. Stormwater Permits
 - Public Hearing and Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-07 to amend Stormwater Quality section of Municipal Code to add article on Tree Removal and Replacement – scheduled for August 22, 2024
6. Capoolong Creek Green Team
 - Request from Township Committee to make Capoolong Creek Advisory Team a Green Team under Environmental Commission
7. Email blasts for September, October, November
 - September –

- October –
 - November -
8. Schedule Kevin’s talk
 9. Household Cleanup Days – September 7
 10. Franklin Township Community Day – August 31 (rain date 9/2)
 - Does it make sense to have a table for Environmental Commission?

IV. Applications Referred by Land Use Board

- Fernandes property on corner of Sidney and Spring Hill – application denied

V. Information on Conferences and Grants

1. Environmental Conferences and Opportunities
2. Grant Opportunities

VI. Comments from the Public on Agenda Items

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VII. Adjournment

- Next meeting – Monday 9/30/2024
 - **Rewild New Jersey Community Cooperative**
- Reminder to check in on idea bank
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XxkJ9l_zvCzhhOCDzskLYWGIWQC9r41_MLrMsWR3s4Y/edit?usp=sharing