

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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Diane Burgess, Chair
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Regular Meeting Agenda: Monday, June 26, 2023; 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)	1/16/2023 Special & Reorg	1/30/2023	2/27/2023	3/27/2023	4/24/2023	5/22/2023*	6/26/2023	7/31/2023	8/28/2023	9/25/2023	10/30/2023	11/27/2023
Diane Burgess (3 year - 12/31/2025)	√	√	√	√	√	√						
John Benscoter (3 year - 12/31/2023)	√	√	√	√		√						
Laney Britten (3 year - 12/31/2023)	√	√	√	√	√	√						
John Thonet (3 year - 12/31/2024) – LUB	√	√		√	√							
Kevin Carroll (3 year - 12/31/2024)	√		√	√	√	√						

Other attendees:

III. Applications Referred by Land Use Board

1. Deo Volente Farms, LLC, Block 30, Lot 17, and Block 35, Lot 26, 487 Quakertown Road
 - “use” variance relief for single-family residence
2. St. Catherine of Sienna Church, Block 26 Lot 17.02, 2 Whitebridge Road
 - approval for the construction of a Parish Center adjacent to the existing Church

IV. Standard Business

1. Approval of minutes of 3/27/2023, 4/24/2023, and 5/22/2023 Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission
3. Report on Land Use Board Activity (John Thonet)
4. Township Committee activities

V. Old Business

1. Well Testing – 35 residents participated, waiting for summary of results
2. Social Media representation
3. Sustainable Jersey grant application – received \$2000 grant for signs, supplies, etc.
 - Plan for what to purchase, when, where
4. Sustainable Jersey certification renewal for 2024 – initial planning
5. Solar ordinance recommendations to LUB
6. Monthly environmental newsletter to Township residents – hold pending discussion with Deanna Seipel

VI. New Business

VII. Information on Conferences and Grants

1. Environmental Conferences and Opportunities
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2. Grant Opportunities

VIII. Comments from the Public

IX. Adjournment

- Next meeting – Monday 7/31/2023
- Reminder to check in on idea bank
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XxkJ9l_zvCzhhOCDzskLYWGIWQC9r41_MLrMsWR3s4Y/edit?usp=sharing