

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP, HUNTERDON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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Diane Burgess, Chair
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Regular Meeting Agenda: Monday, September 25, 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 (cancelled)	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

- None at this time

IV. Standard Business

1. Approval of minutes of 3/27/2023, 4/24/2023, 5/22/2023, 6/26/2023, 8/28/2023 Regular Meeting of the Environmental Commission (Tabled)
2. Report on Land Use Board Activity (John Thonet)
3. Township Committee activities

V. Old Business

1. Sustainable Jersey grant application – received \$2000 grant for signs, supplies, etc.
 - Status of purchases
2. Trunk or Treat discussion (Laney)
3. Sustainable Jersey certification renewal for 2024 –
4. Schedule talk on Composting (Kevin)
5. Monthly environmental newsletter to Township residents – John Thonet’s re rain gardens
6. Rain Gardens and Bioswales at new Municipal Building - opportunity with Rutgers – status report (Laney)
7. Well Testing – 35 residents participated, received results

VI. New Business

1. Ewaste and Plastic Bag (Netrex) recycling at Municipal Garage
2. Single-use Battery recycling
3. Radon Testing – grant application ongoing (Laney)

VII. Information on Conferences and Grants

1. Environmental Conferences and Opportunities
 - 2024 NJ Sustainability Summit, Friday, May 3, 2024, Bell Works, Holmdel, NJ
2. Grant Opportunities
 - Radon Testing grant

VIII. Comments from the Public

IX. Adjournment

- Next meeting – Monday 10/30/2023
- Reminder to check in on idea bank
 - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1XxkJ9l_zvCzhOCDzskLYWGIWQC9r41_MLrMsWR3s4Y/edit?usp=sharing