

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, May 22, 2017; 7:30 PM

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)	1/30/17 Regular & Reorg	2/27/17 cancelled	3/27/17	4/24/17	5/22/17*	6/26/17	7/31/17	8/28/17	9/25/17	10/30/17	11/28/17
Diane Burgess (3 year - 12/31/2019)	X		X	X							
Jennifer Fisher (3 year - 12/31/2017)	X		X	X							
Kim Goodwin (3 year - 12/31/2017)	X		X	X							
Vacant (unexpired term – 12/31/2018)											
Lisa Wood (3 year - 12/31/2018)	X		X	X							
PJ Magala (3 year - 12/31/2017)	X		X	X							
Vacant (unexpired term – 12/31/2018)											

Other attendees:

III. Comments from the Public

IV. Approval of the minutes (None)

V. Standard Business

1. Vacant positions
 - Township Committee reducing size of committee to 5 from 7 is on the agenda for review and approval
2. Correspondence
 - None
3. Applications Referred by Land Use Board
 - None
4. Report on Land Use Board Activity (Lisa Wood/Jennifer Fisher)
5. Township Committee activities (Diane Burgess)
6. Environmental Conferences and Opportunities
 - None
7. Grant Opportunities
 - NJ Department of Environmental Protection Green Communities Grant: Prepare a Community Forestry Management Plan – could tie into Tree Ordinance

- i. Note there is an issue with the Emerald Ash Borer and concerns that we do not have a Forestry Management Plan for the Township. Creating the Forestry Management Plan could be an opportunity for the Environmental Commission.
8. 2017 Goals Discussion
 - Sustainable Jersey re-certification

VI. Old Business

1. Community Well Testing issues
 - a. Scheduled for May – flyers distributed – kits to be returned Wed 5/25/2017
2. Sustainable Jersey recertification
 - a. Discussion of items for submission

VII. New Business

VIII. Properties of Ongoing Concern

1. 99 Locust Grove Road, Block 37, Lot 42. Garden State Growers / Quaker Valley Farms

IX. Adjournment

Note – Possible Goals / Plans for 2017

1. Living in a Rural Area – handbook for township residents
2. Proposal for bottle/paper recycling containers at Township building
3. Proposal for Jersey Mulch Grinder
4. Tree Ordinance
5. Reach out to SWAC and Open Space
6. Quarterly updates to Township Committee
7. Paper Shredding Day
8. Cleanup of Rogers Pond
9. Sustainable Jersey renewal