

BLOOMFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES

February 17, 2021

I. Call to Order - 7:35pm

II. Roll Call - Oliver Young, Cailyn Bruno, Flint Kinkade, Greg Babula, Nick Joanow, Rich Moseson. Guests: Genevieve Reoch, Susan Marano, Sofi, Mollie Smith, Cristian Delcroix. Meet and greet with members and guests. Oliver gives background and introduction to environmental commission.

III. Approval of Minutes – January 2021 minutes approved.

IV. Old Business

- a) Open commission positions - Discussed open commission positions for full and alternate members
- b) Outreach / Bloomfield Buzz Articles – Possible Subcommittee - Next article is due 2/22. Oliver and Rich to discuss the topic for the article offline.
- c) ERI Subcommittee - ERI will potentially be included in the township budget for 2021. BEC to hear from the township planner soon on details. Township will potentially match the grant from Sustainable Jersey.
- d) Sustainable Jersey Recertification Subcommittee - It was discussed and agreed that the BEC should support Greener Bloomfield in pursuing recertification. We will keep on the agenda to review status until at least June when the first draft is due.
- e) NJ Composting Council - Will look to have a presentation later in the year.
- f) Essex-Hudson Greenway Project - Will look to have a presentation later in the year.
- g) Stormwater Management Ordinance Update - Should see a copy of the draft ordinance in the next couple of weeks for BEC review, which is currently with the township administration. Nick will forward to BEC members if he receives it before the next meeting.
- h) Planning Board/Library/Civic Center Redevelopment Update - expect late spring/early summer redevelopment plan. Could be an opportunity to introduce a green building checklist.

V. New Business

- a) 620 Bloomfield Ave Letter - BEC was cc'ed on a letter to the NJ DEP that accompanied a TWA permit application. Cailyn to follow up on the cited code to see if there would be a reason to request a copy of the application.

b) Annual Report - Oliver looking for help to write the annual report for 2020.

c) Master Plan - The state announced that master plans must address climate change. Bloomfield's master plan update is imminent, BEC should be involved in drafting this

VI. Next Meeting: March 17th, 2021 – 7:30pm (virtual)

VII. Adjournment - 9:15 pm