

# **BLOOMFIELD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES**

**April 21, 2021**

**I. Call to Order - 7:35pm**

**II. Roll Call** - Oliver Young, Cailyn Bruno, Rich Moseson, Nick Joanow, Greg Babula, Christian Delcroix, Susan Marano, Sofie Sawyer, Flint Kinkade, Genevieve Reoch

**III. Approval of Minutes** – March 2021 minutes approved.

## **IV. Old Business**

- a) Outreach Subcommittee – Sofie, Greg, and Rich attended a virtual ANJEC webinar on social media. We need to determine if Bloomfield has a social media policy. What does the BEC want to accomplish with a social media presence, and what platforms should we look to be active on? Members will look at other towns' feeds for ideas. We should post content with pictures, unique information, and establish a posting schedule - 2 posts per week, month? On our page on the township website, we should put links to ANJEC, Sustainable Jersey, etc.
- b) ERI Subcommittee – Discussed the 3 bids submitted for our RFP. BEC members should send questions to bidders to Oliver by 4/30 for the bidders. BEC will look to hold a vote during the May meeting. Oliver is abstaining from the vote due to potential professional conflict. Oliver will also verify the timeframe for the SJ grant money.
- c) Sustainable Jersey Recertification Subcommittee - Resubmittal is in good shape, the actions are in the peer review process. The application will likely be submitted early.
- d) Essex-Hudson Greenway Project – Susan attended a webinar and gave a summary. Rich to write a Buzz article to get the word out about the project.
- e) Stormwater Management Ordinance Update - The new ordinance was brought before the council and approved. BEC will have the opportunity to review and provide recommendations for amendments directly to the town council.
- f) New Jersey Comfort Partners Program - No update. Oliver asked if anyone had interest in attending a call with Essex Hub for more info.
- g) Essex County Environmental Commission Meeting / Essex Hub - Anyone interested should reach out to Oliver.
- h) Future Ordinance Revisions (property maintenance, trees, etc.) - no update

## **V. New Business**

- A. Grant Cycles - Cailyn started a spreadsheet on the drive. Sofie has found some other opportunities to add.
- B. ANJEC dues - Need to find out where the bill goes to be proactive in paying for this year.
- C. Future meetings - will keep virtual
- D. 71 Locust St - Oliver will get in contact with the site owner to verify site access. Rich indicated plants are starting to pop up and we can look to harvest in a couple of weeks.
- E. Development checklist - Sofie put together a draft list. We want to formalize down the road.

**VI. Next Meeting:** April 21, 2021 – 7:30pm (virtual)

**VII. Adjournment** - 9:35 pm