

## FAIR HAVEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES for October 21, 2020 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

1. Call to Order 7:35pm
2. Sunshine Law Notice:

*IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT, PUBLIC MEETINGS MAY BE HELD IN PERSON OR BY MEANS OF COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT TO INCLUDE STREAMING SERVICES AND OTHER ONLINE MEETING PLATFORMS (NJSA 10:4-8(b)).*

*DUE TO THE COVID-19 SITUATION, THE BOROUGH OF FAIR HAVEN'S MUNICIPAL FACILITIES ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC. THIS MEETING IS BEING PRESENTED THROUGH THE ZOOM MEETING PLATFORM AND BEING BROADCAST FROM BOROUGH HALL, 748 RIVER ROAD, FAIR HAVEN, NJ. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR THIS ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2020 IS AVAILABLE BY CALL IN PHONE NUMBER OR THROUGH WEB CONFERENCE (ZOOM). MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE ON MUTE UNTIL THE PORTION FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS/COMMENTS, WHICH WILL BE ANNOUNCED. AT THAT TIME THE PUBLIC HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO QUESTION/COMMENT BY PHONE OR THROUGH ZOOM BY THE "RAISE HAND" BUTTON AND WILL BE CALLED ON AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.*

*NOTICE OF THIS MEETING WAS INCLUDED IN A SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS SENT TO THE ASBURY PARK PRESS, THE TWO RIVER TIMES, THE HUB AND THE STAR LEDGER ON JANUARY 30, 2020 POSTED ON THE BOROUGH WEBSITE, THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING AND HAS REMAINED CONTINUOUSLY POSTED AS REQUIRED UNDER THE STATUTE.*

*WITH ADEQUATE NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN, THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION SECRETARY IS DIRECTED TO INCLUDE THIS STATEMENT IN THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING.*

3. Roll Call: Ralph Wyndrum, Laline Neff, Jessie Murray, Jonathan Peters, Greg Wright, Sarah Bayer
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Approval of July and September Meeting Minutes 7:40pm
6. Current Business

A. Sustainable New Jersey Project / Green Team (Laline) – 7:41pm

- Green Team – meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of every month in addition to separate meetings for individual projects.
- Sustainable NJ – previously 170 points approved, a majority are expiring but can be renewed by refreshing actions. Have until June 2021 to reapply.
- Would like to start teen Green Team and potentially join existing Rumson Green Team.
- Work with Knollwood school, art contest to reduce litter. Environmental Day
- Green Team website, create community awareness

B. LED street lights (Ralph) 7:51pm

- Reviewed with Teresa and assigned. Police Chief to work with. 12 free lights, sites to be selected in high traffic, low traffic, public places, none on River Road. Will be monitored by Police. A notice to Public for comments to go out in January newsletter
- Ralph called 3 towns that use LED streetlights: Seaside, Pt. Pleasant Beach, and Hamilton. None have adverse comments.
- To be installed December/January
- Jonathan suggested walking not driving through to evaluate
- Greg suggested to install 2 together, which is what is planned

C. Navesink River / Stormwater (Brian) 8:02pm

- Still some locations driving up the geometric mean but evaluating the river as a whole, the river is doing great.

- Clean Ocean Action is not currently sampling but will have an update next month.
- Jonathan shared maps NJDEP provided at the Navesink River Municipalities Committee meeting with hotspot locations, generally on the western part of the river.
- Colts Neck joined the meeting
- Most impacts to the river from runoff, farms, outfalls.

D. Town Recycling (Mike/Laline/Gary/Sarah) 8:12pm

- Plan to work with Middletown to recycle Styrofoam. Need to plan how to collect.
- Mazza Recycling – will be meeting the week of November 16<sup>th</sup> to visit facility; not open to the public, will include a few FHEC members. Only modern recycling facility in NJ. After meeting, will have list of items that can be recycled, which will be published to the public.
- Single stream still planned; potential for sticker or fridge magnet on recyclable items.

E. McCarter's Pond 8:20pm

- Grant submitted which includes hydroraking and walkways.

F. Brush Grinding Operations (Jonathan) 8:23pm

- Committee trying to find a solution, which will take a while. Need to consider emergency management. Survey sent to town for opinions.
- Potential alternatives – green can, other municipalities nearby that we could contribute to.
- Would have to give Rumson notice if we get rid of operations.
- Mayor has tried for years to work with NJDEP to relocate.

7. New Business.

A. How to handle future meetings? Zoom until at least summer 2021.

B. New Email setup: [FairhavenEnvironmental@gmail.com](mailto:FairhavenEnvironmental@gmail.com) For public to email questions/comments to be presented in meetings.

8. Council Update (Mike)

9. Public Comments. None.

10. Adjournment. 8:48pm

Next Meeting October 18 @ 730pm.