

# FAIR HAVEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES for February 17, 2021 at 7:30 pm via Zoom

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1. Call to Order 7:33pm
2. Sunshine Law Notice read by Allyson

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*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 28, 2021 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, Jessie Murray, Brian Rice (7:38pm), Patrick Keeler, Gary Patterson, Jonathan Peters (absent), Kelly Flanagan, Greg Wright, Sarah Bayer (absent), Councilwoman Laline Neff (absent)
4. Pledge of Allegiance
5. Approval of January Meeting Minutes – no comments, approved by all.
6. Current Business
  - A. Sustainable New Jersey Project (status if recertification) / Green Team (Kelly) – 7:38pm. New elected members at last meeting, including a representative from Shade Tree Commission included. Discussions with community garden. Hosting virtual composting workshop – working with a Monmouth County Master Gardener. Discussions about green building and solar. Next round of SJ funding for grants to be released next week. Internal deadline March 15<sup>th</sup>, initial submit June 6<sup>th</sup> for SJ bronze continuation. Would need 200 more points to reach silver status.
  - B. LED street lights (Ralph) 7:48pm. Ralph was in touch with JCP&L today. Representative will be back in touch next week on how to move ahead on project with the field trial of 12 LED lights.
  - C. Navesink River / Stormwater (Brian) 8:24pm. New sewer lines to be installed in Red Bank. Colts Neck making progress reaching out to farms/ being proactive. COA has expanded from Rally for the Navesink to Rally for the Two Rivers.

- D. Town Recycling (Ralph) 8:34pm. Would like to visit in person, Mazza would like to discuss planning for future recycling. March 24<sup>th</sup> at Mazza in person meeting. Ralph, Laline, Gary.

7. New Business

- A. Watershed Institutes Model Ordinance 7:52pm Revised ordinance is statutory requirement. No substantial changes from state proposal to draft Boro ordinance. Likely will not be including any additions to this ordinance, but potential for amendment. We need a ratio developed with BMPs for residences to reduce amount of water flowing to the river. We need a separate ordinance for residences that considers smaller lot sizes, impervious vs pervious coverage, and all square footage of pervious cover (roof coverage) with goal of reducing percentage of water that flows off property. EC to develop list of items / checklist for compliance for residential BMPs. Ralph proposes Brian, Patrick, Gary to work together to identify what to change, how to improve, residential vs commercial. Per Allyson – Rich and Nick are reviewing watershed model ordinance and a directional summary for next meeting.
- B. Solar Proposal (Kelly) 8:39pm. Bradley Beach an example town using solar – Councilman McCue will reach out to them / potentially tour. Franklin Township another town using solar. Laline following up with Asbury Park school system, which is planning to install solar on 5 buildings. DPW roof may be best potential option for active solar panels in town. FH March facilities meeting to look at plans for opportunities passive solar design – including landscape, stormwater, etc. Potential for semi covered parking lot of solar. Ralph requests Kelly to write 1-2 page proposal for Police and DPW to use solar.
- C. 2021 EC Budget 8:56pm. Kelly and Brian to put together list of items needing funds this year to send to Ralph. Brian to follow up with Teresa about McCarter's Pond budget status. Town did not get the grant. Next grant proposal opens in May with due date in September. Potential to include fountain like Rumson. Ralph to speak with Rich/Teresa to see where we are at with the budget and how to move forward/opportunities available.

8. Council Update (Laline) – absent. No update.

9. Public Comments Susan O'Brien. No comment.

10. Adjournment. 9:10pm

Next Meeting March 17 @ 730pm.