

Matawan Environmental Commission

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2022

Meeting Held Virtually

<https://meet.google.com/yyu-gnat-azt>

The regular meeting of the Matawan Environmental Commission was called to order at 7:07pm on January 11, 2022 by Commission Chair Daniel Wieczorek.

I. Meeting Attendance

a. Present

Commission Members

Daniel Wieczorek (chair)
Ginny Sanzo
Malini Guha
Anthony Washington
Adam Fernandez
Diane Doolittle

Associate Members

Sharen LaPorta
Charles Wieczorek

b. Absent

Meredith Comi
Charles Ross – Council Chair

Michele Devanny
Dan Carroll

c. Guests

None

II. Review and Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

a. Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2021 – MSP - approved

III. NRI/Budget Status/Update (Adam)

a. Status of Fact Sheet on NRI for Mayor and Council
- Nothing to Report

IV. Energy Aggregation (Malini)

- a. Sustainable Monmouth Alliance Energy Aggregation Program – our liaison is the town administrator – suggests a minimum percentage of renewable energy of 24.5% for 22/23, but it is not clear how they arrived at this percentage
- b. Reminder of the upcoming Council meeting that will include energy aggregation

V. Environmental Water Working Group (Malini)

- a. PFAS = PolyFluorinated Alkyl Substances
- b. EWG Guidelines: <https://www.ewg.org/tapwater/ewg-standards.php>
- c. State maximum contaminant levels lowered to 14ppt for PFOA and 13ppt for PFOS
- d. Matawan PFOA level is at 3.83 parts per trillion, higher than national average of 1.15ppt and state average of 2.97ppt
- e. Radium levels are 3 times higher than national average and more than double the state average

VI. Community Garden

- a. (Ginny) Follow up with potential connection/presentation from Fulfill Food Bank representative

- VII. Membership and Attendance
a. No Report
- VIII. Green Team
a. No report
- IX. Reports on Affiliate Organizations
a. Matawan Town Council (Charlie)
- No Report
b. Planning Board (Adam)
- No Report
c. Additional Reports from Meetings/Newsletters:
- Aberdeen Environmental Advisory Board (No Report)
- Monmouth County Environmental Council (No Report)
- ANJEC (No Report)
- X. Logo (Dan W. and Diane)
a. Middle school art club design some logos – discussed parameters, once discussion with teacher is finalized, Dan will email the commission to get some feedback on what we would like included and then set some parameters
- XI. Open Floor
a. Anthony reported that he discovered a collapsed grate over drainage behind the Starbucks
b. Samples taken over at the trestle, results should be back by now, need to request the results for review
- XII. Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 8:01pm by Commission Chair Daniel Wiczorek. The next general meeting will be held at 7:00pm on February 8, 2022.
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Respectfully Submitted,

Ginny Sanzo