

**MINUTES**

**STAFFORD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**April 1, 2019**

**Chairman calls the Meeting to order.**

**Salute to the flag. 7:05PM**

**OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT:** This meeting complies with the open meeting act by publishing same in the appropriate newspapers and notification to the Township clerk. Notice has been posted in the front entrance of the Municipal Building:

<b>SHERRY ROTH - CHAIRPERSON -</b>	Present
<b>ROBERT KIRWAN -</b>	Present
<b>GLENN PERRY -</b>	Present
<b>MEGAN BRUNATTI -</b>	Present
<b>SHARON MCKENNA -</b>	Present
<b>LEA FITZPATRICK -</b>	Present
<b>REGULAR MEMBER - VACANCY</b>	
<b>ROBERT J. KOKAI ALT - I</b>	Present
<b>MONICA ZABROSKI - ALT - II</b>	Present

**Also Present:**

Mayor Greg Myhre  
Councilman Thomas Steadman  
Township Administrator - Matthew von der Hayden

**Public Comment:**

None

**Approval of Minutes:**

March 11, 2019, Regular Meeting  
Megan and Leah were absent.

A motion by: Ms. McKenna; second: Ms. Roth; to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2019 meeting.

Aif: Aye, Fitzpatrick and Brunatti abstained.

**Applications:**

1. **Paul J. & Kathi Viola**  
**Application # P19-05**  
Block 147.66 Lot 56.01  
P/F Minor Subdivision  
(124 Charles Blvd.)

**Comments:** The Environmental Commission has no comments.

2. **Manasquan Bank**  
**Application # P19-06**  
Block 147.110 Lot 142.05  
P/F Minor Site Plan  
(525 Rt. 72)

**Comments:** The Environmental Commission would like to defer the review until the May 6, 2019 meeting.

3. **Thomas & Jessica Scangarello**  
**Application # Z19-02**  
Block 229 Lot 44  
Amended P/F Major Site Plan  
(566 & 568 East Bay Ave.)

**Comments:** See letter to Zoning Board of Adjustment

Matthew von der Hayden, the Township Administrator introduced himself to the Environmental Commission. He has a strong background in the Sustainable Jersey Program and asks if the commission would be interested in participating. If so, there could be a combined effort between the Environmental Commission and the Green team. The Green team could consist of the same members who serve on the Environmental Commission and the Green Team meetings can be held on the same night as the Environmental Commission. The Green Team application is submitted in January, so a target date could be January 2020. The Environmental Commission is definitely interested.

**Discussions:**

**Arbor Day 2019 – P.I.N.E.S. – “Plastic In Nature Endangers Species”**

May 3, 2019, 3:45PM, Ocean Acres Community Center, Ocean Acres  
*To date: Packets completed, delivered and all entries picked up on March 8, 2019. All entries have been judged, posters by the Pineshore Art. Assoc. and the Poems and Essays by the Stafford Branch of the Ocean County Library. All schools on board, Tracey Telicky, (B. Naturals) confirmed, R.O.T.C, confirmed, Seedlings ordered, 200 Eastern Red buds, 100 Norway Spruce, 100 White Pine. 200 additional seedlings have been ordered. Medals have been ordered and received. Gift cards are in, just waiting to pick up. Reynolds Landscaping confirmed, may need help from our public works department this year.*

*We still need volunteers to help the day of the ceremony. The programs and cake will be last. To date we have received \$4050.00 in sponsor donations.*

*Please see letter dated March 28, 2019, addressed to Mayor Myhre, from John Sacco, from the State of New Jersey, informing the commission that Stafford Township receives certification for its 30<sup>th</sup> year as a Tree City by the Arbor Day Foundation and the Urban & Community Forestry Program (NJUCF).*

Sherry is contacting Home Depot and Sharon McKenna is contacting Lowes for tree donations. Bob Kokai is contacting Green Tree Garden Center. The public works department will do an inventory to see where we need trees replaced in town. Ocean Acres School would be a good start. Sherry is waiting to hear from Megan Jacobs regarding the canvas bags that Chris Vernon will be donating. The bags will have the Environmental Commission logo on them.

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There will be free tree seedlings place in the hallway by the Zoning Department and the lobby area.

**Adjournment:**

A motion was made by Ms Roth; second by: Mr. Kirwan; to adjourn the meeting at 8:10PM.

Aif: Aye

Respectfully Submitted,



Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary

**To:** Stafford Township Zoning Board of Adjustment

**From:** Environmental Commission  
Annemarie Sillitoe, Secretary

**Date:** May 6, 2019

**RE:** **Thomas & Jessica Scangarello**  
**Application # Z19-02**  
Block 229 Lot 44  
Amended P/F Major Site Plan  
(566 & 568 East Bay Ave.)

The Environmental Commission concurs with the Maser Consulting letter dated, February 26, 2019. The Environmental commission has concerns with the construction of the recharge system, specifically that it will encroach on the neighboring property. The Environmental Commission would like to see a complete drainage report to confirm the depth of the seasonable high water table.

The Environmental Commission recommends that the applicant plant all the trees that cannot fit on site in the buffer area. They should be native species.