

BOROUGH OF SHREWSBURY

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION



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Minutes of Regular Meeting
Shrewsbury Environmental Commission (EC)
Wednesday, August 12, 2009
Municipal Hall, Sycamore Avenue, Shrewsbury, New Jersey

Present

Jill Gwydir, Chairperson
Kathy Loder-Murphy, Alternate Member #2
Hermann Allen, Associate Member *
Robin Blair, Associate Member *
Jeff DeSalvo, Associate Member *
Don Burden, Council Liaison *

Absent

Sue Binns, Member
Patrick DiBello, Member (PB Liaison)
Jay Eaton, Member
Leslie Eaton, Member
Patricia Kurdyla, Member
Deidre DerAsadourian, Alternate Member #1

* Non-voting member

Due to lack of quorum, Chairperson Jill Gwydir began workshop meeting at 7:35 p.m. In Mrs. Milnes' absence, Mrs. Loder-Murphy took minutes.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM JULY'S MEETING

Review and approval of July's minutes will be done at September's meeting providing there is a quorum.

II. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing** – There is a public hearing for proposed Hovnanian development (Shrewsbury Ave./Patterson Ave.) on August 19, 2009. Ms. Gwydir will attend meeting and give report at September's EC meeting.
- B. NJ DEP Greenhouse Gas Reduction Grant** – Pre-application is to be completed by September 3, 2009. Ms. Gwydir will complete EC's portion. Criteria of grant states project must be able to reduce greenhouse gas, and receive no other funding. Ms. Gwydir participated in ANJEC's webinar to gather additional information on project and application process. EC intends to design projects to challenge community to reduce greenhouse gas effect in borough. EC discussed ways to get program out to community. Mrs. Loder-Murphy will reach out to SBS' Foundation for Education to see if EC can participate in upcoming 5K race by having information available.
- C. Newsletter** – Wheels are in motion to meet September 10, 2009 deadline. Mrs. Eaton is working on newsbits, i.e., encouraging residents to approach holiday season with "green" awareness.
- D. Website** – Mr. DeSalvo is ready and willing to put information on website. He hopes to tie greenhouse gas reduction program into website. Other plans include

adding photos from various EC events, and borough's recycling schedule. Mr. DeSalvo will explore tying website into SBS website for general information and awareness. There was discussion on having website issue e-mail blasts of environmental announcements.

- E. Monmouth Council Solid Waste Advisory Council** – Offering grants for recycling programs; DPW is looking into this.
- F. Council Meetings** – Parkers Creek restoration project is of concern to EC particularly soil testing. Ms. Gwydir is meeting with Councilman Tom Menapace to discuss status of restoration and borough's involvement.

Susan Milnes, Secretary