



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday, September 19, 2012

1. CALL TO ORDER and ROLL CALL

The Regular Workshop meeting of the Long Branch Environmental Commission on September 19, 2012, came to order at 6:45 PM in the City Hall Caucus Room, 344 Broadway, Long Branch, NJ, having been duly noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act.

Members Present: Mark Smiga, Faith Teitelbaum, Carol Mellaci, Richard Lee, Rich Garlipp, Rick Garlipp, Ceil Mancini

Members Absent: Jen Smiga, Joy Bastelli (City Council Liaison)

Others Present: Michele Bernich (City Liaison), Suzan Cole (Green Committee member)

2. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

May – Rich Garlipp motioned to accept with amendments, Faith Teitelbaum seconded.

Unanimous vote. June – Rick Garlipp motioned to accept, Mark Smiga seconded. Unanimous

vote. July – Rick Garlipp motioned to accept with amendments, Rich Garlipp seconded.

Unanimous vote.

3. COMMUNICATION

None at this time

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

a. Discussion of by-laws

1) Month of Reorganization meeting will be changed from **April to July** (Article III Section 1).

2) Vice Chairman shall act for the Chairman in his absence and shall assume the Chairman's responsibilities at the Chairman's request (**change to Article II Section 4**).

3) **Remove "monthly" from Article IV Section 1.** "Meetings will be held as a time and place..."

4) **Article V Section 1** "Old Business" and "New Business" shall be changed to one section labeled "Other". Order of business shall be numbered, not lettered. Add "6. Report of Green Committee Liaison."

b. Election of Officers: Faith Teitelbaum has kindly requested to vacate position of Secretary. Rich Garlipp motioned for Mark Smiga to remain Chair, Carol Mellaci seconded. Faith Teitelbaum motioned for Ceil Mancini to remain as Vice Chairman, Rich Garlipp seconded. Carol Mellaci motioned for Rick Garlipp as Secretary, Rich Garlipp seconded. Carol Mellaci motioned for vote on officers as motioned, Faith Teitelbaum seconded. Unanimous vote.

c. 2013 LBEC meeting dates: Unanimous vote for 2013 dates.

5. REPORT OF COMMISSION'S PLANNING BOARD MEMBER

None at this time.

6. OLD BUSINESS

a. September 29th West End Block Party and Pooch Parade (10 am – 4 pm)

- 1) Volunteer schedule – Carol Mellaci (all day), Rick Garlipp (all day), Rich Garlipp (afternoon), Ceil Mancini (tentative afternoon), Jen Smiga (tentative), Mark Smiga (all day)
- 2) Literature from COA, anti-litter, etc.
- 3) Discussion of possible volunteers from LBHS to give kids temporary tattoos

b. Elinore Avenue Proposal

- 1) Review and Discussion
 - a) Plantings scheduled for October 18th and 19th
- 2) Forward Action Plan:
 - a) Proposed purchase and delivery no later than October 12, 2012
 - b) Volunteer schedule for LBEC members
 - c) Motion by Rich Garlipp to accept Phase II of Lake Frontage Restoration Elinore Avenue Planting Project, second by Richard Lee. Unanimous vote.

c. Status Reports on Ongoing ERI Continuance Items

- 1) Beachscapes
- 2) Stormwater
- 3) Whale Pond Brook/Takanassee Lake
- 4) Tree Survey and Heritage Program

7. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

None at this time.

9. OTHER

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Mark Smiga motioned to adjourn at 9:25 PM, Carol Mellaci seconded.

By the order of: Mark Smiga, Chairperson

NEXT MEETING: Monday, October 15, 2012 @ 6:30 PM