

Town of Clinton Environmental Commission

Meeting

Online, November 09, 2020, 7:30 pm

Minutes

General

1. Role Call – Michael Humphrey, Tamara Healy, John Kashwick, Jendayi Jones, Véronique Lambert
2. Motion to approve minutes from meeting on October 12, 2020; motion seconded; approved unanimously

Old Business

1. Spotted Lanternfly – Véronique emailed Hunterdon HUB re community education and outreach, but no response yet. Rutgers has a survey to assess spread of insect. Rich has added a lot of information about the spotted lantern fly on the town website – Mike will pull items together so they're easier to find on the website. Véronique will send link for SLF survey to Mike to include in website.
2. Cigarette butt litter – should we spend down EC budget to purchase 3 butt dispensers for the town (@\$150)? Tammy introduced motion, Jendayi seconded, 4 voted in favor; John abstained. The motion passes.

New Business

1. Update from Town Council – Michael Humphrey – Property ordinance passed with one change to recycling; Christmas parade will be held in town and will drive 7 miles through major neighborhoods of town; new state law re plastic ban - plastic and paper bags and single use containers, straws will be banned in 18 months. The local campaign signs from council candidates are plastic and can be recycled curbside.
2. Update from Land Use Board – Tamara Healy – Passed plan for A&P site. Holiday Inn is not renewing Holiday Inn franchise and is looking to change the property to an assisted living facility. The plan is for 100 units which will give the town credit of 20 affordable housing units.
3. Update from shade Tree Commission – John Kashwick – wrote article about spotted lanternfly – how to identify and control it – to appear in upcoming newsletter; tree takedowns will happen within the next month; Clinton received its tree city USA designation – 36 years running.
4. Mike suggests discussing new members/volunteers for green team for next year.

Meeting adjourned 8:37 pm.