

**Town of Clinton
Environmental Commission
Meeting Minutes for September 18, 2023, at 7:30 PM**

Attendees

Kim Stentz, Mary Jo Kurtiak, John Kashwick, Dean Solomos. Absent: Ken Carberry, Veronique Lambert. Guest: Dylan Mahr.

Administrative Matters

- John called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm on Zoom.
- Motion to approve the minutes for August 21 was moved by Dean and seconded by Kim and passed unanimously.
- There was no correspondence.

Council Liaison (John)

- John met with resident Ken Fisher who is advocating for reduction of noise and run-off from Interstate 78. He was not able to attend tonight's meeting but did forward a package of information which was forwarded to all Commission members. Mr. Fisher has circulated a petition encouraging the DOT to act on remedying this situation in Clinton. The Environmental Commission should review and determine what steps it could take to help. The Mayor and Council has passed a resolution in support and Congressman Tom Kean Jr. has sent a letter to the DOT. John will ask Mr. Fisher to attend one of our upcoming meetings.
- John brought up a resident of Leigh Street who has concerns about development and maintenance of the drainage easement between the Leigh Street and Kings Crossing homes. John will research further.
- John mentioned that the Buildings and Grounds Committee was considering replacing the lights at the pickleball courts. John said at the Council meeting that if this were to take place, the lights should be fully shielded and properly timed or controlled as the not interfere with neighbors.

Land Use Board (Ken)

- Ken was not able to attend but the Moebus hearings are continuing. The next meeting is Tuesday, September 19 at 7:30 PM.

Shade Tree Commission Liaison Report (Kim)

- The Shade Tree Commission has not met yet this month, but tree removals in Pond Ridge and the Knolls are scheduled to take place on September 25-26. We received approval from the state for our tree plantings in Kings Crossing. Those are scheduled to be planted in early October,

Green Team

- The Green Team did not meet this month but is awaiting a determination from Sustainable Jersey on its application.
- John will be attending the GoHunterdon breakfast on Friday, September 22 where Chief Kubiak is being honored for Clinton's Safe Routes to School program.

- There will be a 2nd prescription drug pick-up in October.

Other Items

- Dylan Mahr joined the meeting and has expressed interest in joining. John will notify the Mayor and Clerk of his interest and ask that he be appointed at the next Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully submitted.

John Kashwick