

Town of Clinton Environmental Commission

Meeting (virtual)

September 19, 2022, 7:30 pm

MINUTES

General

1. Call to Order – 7:32 Pm
2. Roll Call – Véronique Lambert (Chair), Mike Humphrey (Council Liaison), Dean Solomos, Rebecca Walters, John Kashwick (Shade Tree liaison)
3. Review / approve minutes from meeting on July 18, 2022 – all ayes in favor to approve

Old Business

New Business

1. Personnel Manual – ask Rich to send to Rebecca and Dean; Mike has already signed as part of council; John & Véronique signed in March 2022
2. Farmers' Market – Kyle Perloff has taken over role of facilities reservations including the community center. Building year-round farmers' market on Sundays (maybe 9 am – 1 pm) with 12-15 vendors with bulk of proceeds going to recreation committee. Hunterdon County 579 Trail would promote the Clinton Market as part of their fresh produce initiative. Could also have add-on special events – e.g. ecofair, plant sales. Can pursue SJ Green Team capacity building grant and ANJEC funds. Individual vendors will pay fee. Fees will go towards paying for heat, electricity, coordinator. Working on liability coverage. Vendor forms to also cover damage from food products. Then will present to council for approval. Slating November start.
3. Update from Town Council – Michael Humphrey: Only one 5-year garbage hauling bid came in and it's from our current hauler. Increased cost and no bulk pick-up. Opportunity to promote special materials reuse event – like Lambertville's Sparkle Week. Service fee is increasing, but tonnage fee increase is even higher. Starts in December. Let's come up with cool ideas and campaign names to promote materials reuse and waste reduction. Economic Development tagline: Fall in love with Clinton; also have a logo that will play into seasons.
4. Update from Land Use Board –
5. Update from Shade Tree Commission – John Kashwick – Got \$30,000 from state to plant trees. Will put it out to bid and will start planting next fall. To replace dead Ash trees in Haver Farm storm basins.

8:37 PM – motion to adjourn; all ayes in favor