GREEN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, August 5, 2025, AT 5:30 pm

PUBLIC NOTICE: Adequate notice of this public meeting has been made in accordance with the 1975 Open Public Meetings Act in as much as a notice has been published in the New Jersey Herald, transmitted to the Star Ledger and posted at the Municipal Building, 150 Kennedy Road, Tranquility, N.J.

ROLL CALL: Cynthia Moyano, Fausto Moyano, Ellen Lessin, Matthew Fox, Christopher Sullivan and Michael Wood were in attendance. Also in attendance was Gwen Santos, Committee Secretary.

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm.

MINUTES: Approval of minutes from July 1, 2025, meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of July 1, 2025, meeting was made by Matt Fox, seconded by Fausto Moyano; all in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUCEMENTS:

- Gwen Santos provided options for custom printed seed packets to be given to residents at Green Township Day on Sept. 6, 2025.
- Elly Lessin provided plant options for purchase from Wild Ridge Plants.
- Green Township Environmental Advisory Committee statutes given to all members at Cynthia's request.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Pollinator Garden and Garden Bench:
 - Elly advised that 85 plants were received from NJ Fish & Wildlife. Sharon Wander has been caring for the plants; she advised Elly that the seedlings need to be put in the ground very soon.
 - Elly mentioned that the second pollinator garden is full of native plants; it was agreed that it should remain since it is a native pollinator plant and was previously tagged to keep in the garden.
 - Matt fox made a motion for the fencing around the first pollinator garden to be removed as it hinders access for weeding and maintenance of the garden area. Mike Wood seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Matt Fox motioned for Committee Members to meet at the garden on Saturday, August 9, 2025, at 2:30pm, to prepare the ground in the second pollinator garden for planting of the 85 plants received from Fish & Wildlife. Members will also provide maintenance to the first garden area. Fencing will also be removed at that time. Chris seconded the motion; Mike, Chris and Fausto agreed to meet on said date and time. All in favor, motion carried.
 - Options for custom printed seed packets were reviewed by the Committee. A selection was made and Chris motioned to purchase 250 of the chosen seed packets from 4All Promos. Fausto seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

- Options of plants to purchase from Wild Ridge were reviewed. A selection was made, based on the placement of said plants next to the bench that is still awaiting installation by Jason Miller. Chris made a motion to purchase 2 Pagoda Dogwood, 2 Red Chokeberry and 2 Black Chokeberry. Mike seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. Fausto advised that he will care for these plants until ground is ready for planting.
- List of Environmental Advisory Committee Goals devised and read by Cynthia. No further input was made on this subject at this time.
- o Green Township Environmental Advisory Committee statutes briefly discussed.

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn was made by Chris Sullivan at 6:37 pm, seconded by Fausto Moyano. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 2, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen Santos, Environmental Secretary

Date: August 6, 2025