

GREEN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, April 2, 2024, 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, Elly Lessin, and Matt Fox; all present. Also present: Gwen Santos, Secretary

Motion to begin the meeting was made by Cynthia Moyano and seconded by Fausto Moyano. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm.

MINUTES: March 5, 2024, meeting minutes read by Cynthia Moyano. Motion to approve the minutes of March 5, 2024, was made by Fausto Moyano, seconded by Cynthia Moyano; all in favor, motion carried.

COMMUNICATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Updated information on Farmland Preservation Program given, as requested by Committee Members during March 5, 2024 meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Appointment Chairman and Vice-Chairman: Fausto Moyano motioned to appoint Cynthia Moyano as Chairman, seconded by Matt Fox; all in favor, motion carried. Fausto Moyano motioned to appoint Matt Fox as Vice-Chairman, seconded by Elly Lessin; all in favor, motion carried. Oath of office made and signed by both Cynthia Moyano and Matt Fox.
- Committee Members again discussed researching vendors for pollinator garden sign. Discussed name to be put on the sign; Elly Lessin will confirm what need to be on the sign, as per grant specifications.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Pollinator Garden:
 - Elly Lessin advised that she made a site inspection of the existing pollinator garden; new growth showing.
 - Elly Lessin advised that donations of new plants will be made by NJ Fish & Wildlife as part of their awareness program.
 - Elly Lessin provided photos of other areas around the existing pollinator garden and the Green Township Municipal Building that she would like to review with the Municipal Clerk for potential, additional planting.
 - Matt Fox advised that he will take soil samples and send to Rutgers Co-operative Extension to test the pH of the soil.
- Committee Members discussed having a presentation on the pollinator garden, and possibly a beekeeping presentation, at Green Township Day on June 1, 2024.
- Committee Members discussed fencing around the pollinator garden. During said discussion, Fausto Moyano made a motion to encumber funds for purchase needed supplies for the pollinator garden.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Fausto Moyano to adjourn at 7:00 pm, seconded by Matt Fox. All in favor. Motion carried. **The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 2, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted, Gwen Santos, Environmental Secretary

Date: April 2, 2024

