

WTEAC Minutes December 19, 2019

Meeting opened under the Sunshine Law at 7:11 p.m.

Attendance (Roll Call) by Secretary Ellen Smith

Present: Chairperson Wilma Morrissey, Vice Chair Bob Kilmurray, Secretary Ellen Smith, John Ozell and Scott Burke

Absent: Township Committeeman Tim Farrell, Hance Sitkus, Joe Balesterri and Greg Wolek.

Motion for August Minutes. Motion: John 2nd: Bob

On Monday December 30th the WTEAC will present the Green Recognition Awards to two Wall Twp. businesses. The ceremony will be at 7PM in the Municipal Bldg.. Mayor Orender will attend.

On November 26<sup>th</sup>, Bob Fischer presented his program, "The Importance of Wastewater Treatment in our Society" at the Intermediate School. Wilma and Bob were in attendance. All students participated in the essay contest.

The Committee unanimously approved continuing the poetry, essay and poster contests.

Wilma Morrissey and Bob Kilmurray attended the Wall High School November 22nd meeting at Wall High School with the Environmental Club. Students will sign a petition to the Governor in support of banning plastic bags through the Surfrider Foundation. They are waiting for a state bill to be passed. In addition, they plan to start a storyboard to plan out a video that highlights the issues that non-recyclable plastics cause and also highlight solutions. Their hope is that the Wall H.S. Environmental Club can use it to educate their school, town and possibly even send it to the county to reach the widest audience possible. The Wall H.S. Environmental Club also has school-based initiatives to increase composting. The Club is continuing to do work at Camp Evans and pursue Eco-Schools Certification.

Update on the shirt order. We should have them soon.

Wilma Morrissey proposed a quarterly newsletter with articles written by WTEAC members and members of the public. The newsletter will be titled "Environmentally Yours." The first edition will cover January through March.

Hand-outs: WTEAC Meeting Schedule, County Environmental Council Calendar, site plans, Green Business Recognition Program applications, Articles: How Late Amendments Have Stalled Effort to Ban Plastic, Paper bags, Poll Says Majority of Americans Are Willing to Pay More to avoid Plastic Products, Time for State to Get Moving on Electric Vehicles: NJ Spotlight Roundtable, Cities Begin Delving Into Drone Regulations for Public Safety, Heavy Trucks are New Target for Reducing Air Pollution, They're Lovin' It: Ford and McDonald's Partner to Use Coffee beans as car parts.

Adjournment- 8:48PM Motion Scott Burke 2nd John Ozell

Prepared by Ellen Smith