

WTEAC Minutes

August 15th, 2019

Meeting opened under the Sunshine Law at 7:10 PM.

Present: Wilma Morrissey, Bob Kilmurray, Committeeman Tim Farrell, Joe Balesterri, John Ozell, Scott Burke & Hance Sitkus

Absent: Greg Wolek & Ellen Smith.

Wilma Morrissey distributed a draft of a brochure “Facts on Single Plastic Bags-Choose Reusable Bags.” There were minor revisions to the brochure that Wilma will make before posting. During the open discussion, education was stressed with the usage of reusable bags, having the reusable bags in your vehicle so you don’t forget to bring the reusable bags to the grocery store.

Committeeman Farrell will see if Joe Lentini (Wall Dept. of Public Works) can come to the next meeting (9/19/19) and update the WTEAC on the Township Plan for plastic bags. Shop-Rite will also be contacted to update the WTEAC on their plans for plastic bags at the next meeting.

Previous minutes from May 16, 2019 were reviewed and approved by Bob Kilmurray and seconded by Joe Balesterri. The minutes from June 20th, 2019, were reviewed and approved by Bob Kilmurray and seconded by Wilma Morrissey.

Next we discussed an email to Wilma Morrissey and Larry Leming from Wall Resident, Sandy Jarvis. Sandy addressed the problems with recycling plastic. We all discussed the national problem with recycling and that China no longer is taking U. S. recycling products. Tim Farrell discussed the increased cost to Wall with the increased cost for recycling.

Wilma Morrissey discussed the Sustainable New Jersey Re-Certification and Scott Burke accessed the website. All members participated in the discussion of each category and the eligibility of securing potential points to secure the Bronze Award.

Bob Kilmurray discussed the Site Plans.

Dates to Remember: September 28th Kids Day America
October 29th MCEC Round Table on Plastics

Handouts Provided:

- Agenda, Minutes, Site Plans, Article Sea-Level Rising in NJ, email 8/13/19 and Notifications.
- Brochure “Facts on Single Plastic Bags Choose Reusable Bags”

Hance Situs made a motion to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Bob Kilmurray.

Addendum Sustainable New Jersey Discussion: BRAINSTROMING

Scott Burke will be researching the Wildlife Interaction Plan and whether we can get points for Sustainable NJ.

Hance Sitkus may be able to assist with Allaire State Park and wildlife.

- **Brown Fields Inventory may exist within Wall and we will follow-up with Nora Coyne.**
- **Brown Fields Assessment was another area to review with the Ridgewood Ave. Pit**
- **Brown Fields Marketing was another area to research**
- **Community Partnership may qualify under the Annual Poster and Essay Contests.**
- **Green Bags was another area with the Wall distributing bags to residents need full inventory.**
- **Environmental Justice in Planning & Zoning which will require further research for eligibility.**
- **Climate Adaptation for Flooding Risk Update, which may already exist with Nora Coyne.**
- **Emergency Community Response and sited listing of special needs population - Steve Nash**
- **Renewable Energy - possibility with upgrade on lighting at Municipal Complex.**
- **Health & Wellness - Anti-Idling Education and enforcement along with smoke-free parks.**
- **Innovative Demonstrations - Possibly Wreck Pond, Nature Trail & Allenwood Gardens.**
- **Land Use & Transportation - Pledge? Unsure if eligible.**
- **Build Out Analysis - Potentially affordable housing initiatives.**
- **Enhanced Stormwater Management - Potentially Township Ordinances.**
- **Historical Preservation Element - Possibly in Master Plan**
- **Local Economics - Green Business Recognition Program eligible.**
- **Support Local Business - Discussed with Committeeman Farrell.**
- **Natural Resources Inventory - Part of the Master Plan.**
- **Water Conservation**
- **Open Space Plans**
- **Water Conservation Educational Program**
- **Easement Inspection & Evaluation - Probably not eligible.**
- **Tree Planting Programs within the town.**
- **Digitizing Public Information**
- **Community Sustainability Plan**
- **Construction and Demolition Waste**
- **Grass - Cut and leave it program**

Adjourned: 9:34PM

Submitted: Bob Kilmrrray