

**MINUTES**  
**East Amwell Township Environmental Commission**  
**Business Meeting**  
**May 29, 2013**  
**7:30 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The May 29, 2013 Business Meeting of the East Amwell Township Environmental Commission was called to order by Chairperson, M. Petrus at 7:53 PM.

In compliance with the Open Public Meeting Act, M. Petrus announced that this is the Regular Business Meeting of the Environmental Commission, as published in the Hunterdon County Democrat on January 31, 2013. A copy of tonight's agenda was filed with the Township Clerk and the Township Committee, forwarded to the Hunterdon County Democrat, and the Trenton Times Newspaper, distributed to the various East Amwell Township Committees and Boards, and was posted on the Township Bulletin Board.

**ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** M. Petrus, T. Robbi, J. Angelone, E. Johanson,  
J. Corboy (Secretary)

**ABSENT:** D. Sageser, D. Kellogg, J. Bradstreet, S. Grace, B. Hummel

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** No announcements were made.

**PRESENTATION OF MINUTES:** April 22, 2013 – Business Meeting

The minutes of the April 22, 2013 Business Meeting were motioned for approval by T. Robbi, and with a second from M. Petrus, were approved with no additions/corrections/deletions. There were two abstentions.

**LAST MINUTE ADDITIONS TO TONIGHT'S AGENDA:**

- a. E-Mail message from P. Dymek, 5/23/13, re: Tax Bill Mailing Inserts  
Members discussed and decided to request an insertion of ANJEC Grant Award and plans for future trails building project/Omick property, along with requesting volunteers.
- b. E-Mail message from T. Robbi, 5/21/13, re: Rutgers University Seeking Environmental Commission Input  
T. Robbi informed members that he has already submitted his name for attendance at one of these sessions and that he has made the cut.

**PRESENTATION OF BILLS:** None presented.

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**REPORTS:**

- a. **Planning Board – D. Sageser was absent this evening. Thus, no report was received.**
- b. **Township Committee – D. Sageser was absent this evening. Thus, no report was received.**
- c. **Recycling Committee – M. Petrus informed members that there were no problems with the dumpsters this past Depot Day. Paper Shredding Event produced approximately 1/3 of a truck load – 3860 lbs. or 1.93 tons. According to the owner of Assure Shred, follow-up events in a community usually result in increase participation. The Recycling Committee is considering holding a future Shredding Event, perhaps in conjunction with a surrounding community. The Recycling Committee received news that the Township will be receiving \$13,557.42 from the Clean Communities Grant Fund. It is hoped that some of these monies could be used to fund a school trip to a recycling plant. J. Angelone inquired exactly what is that money used for. Secretary responded: Depot Days, Clean-Up Day, Roadside Clean-Up, etc. M. Petrus also stated that he is investigating the possibility of holding a “Volunteer” picnic in August at Clawson Park.**
- d. **Farmland/Open Space Preservation – T. Robbi stated that work is proceeding on the projects mentioned in last month’s minutes. The Barbara Hayes property (Block 21, Lot 16.03) has received approval from the State Agricultural Development Committee (SADC). T. Robbi also informed members that the parking lot has been constructed on the Omick property and the trails have been laid out. Clearing of the trails will begin shortly. The remainder of the work on the trails will be done in the Fall.**
- e. **Site Review Committee – No report received from this Committee.**
- f. **Public Outreach – M. Petrus reported that the application for an intern has been sent off to Rutgers University. No response as of this date. M. Petrus stated that he attended the Antique Fair and noted that they were not recycling but contacts were made for assistance at the 4-H Fair.**
- g. **Conservation Easements – J. Bradstreet was absent this evening. Thus no report was received.**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None presented**

**NEW BUSINESS: None presented.**

**CORRESPONDENCE: All correspondence was listed on the 5/29/13 agenda.**

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**OPEN TO COMMISSION MEMBERS:** M. Petrus stated that he received correspondence from a resident concerning an infestation of Japanese Knot Weed on Boss Road. T. Robbi informed members that the Hunterdon Land Trust Association will be holding bus tours (one in North Hunterdon and one in South Hunterdon) on June 29, 2013. He will forward information to all members shortly.

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC:** None present.

**ADJOURN:** 8:25 PM Motion for adjournment was received from J. Angelone and E. Johanson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

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**Joyce S. Corboy, Secretary**

**cc: Env. Com. Members      Board of Adjustment      Board of Health  
Twp. Com. & Clerk      Democrat Newspaper      Recreation Com.  
Twp. Bulletin Brd.      Trenton Times      Recycling Com.  
Planning Board      Associate Members      Agric. Adv. Com.  
Farmland & Open Space Preservation**