

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021**

The remote meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Richard Wolf, Chair. The Opening Statement was made. Roll call was taken.

Present: Richard Wolf, Chair
 Janet Ariemma, Council Liaison (*joined call at 7:31 p.m.*)
 Carol Phiefer
 Jack Pfister
 Richard Seibert, Co-Chair
 Jennifer Storms, Secretary

Absent: Frank Pallotta, Planning Board Liaison

The minutes of the meeting held on April 14, 2021 were approved following a motion by Pfister; seconded by Seibert. All other present members were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

DPW Site Update

Wolf said he does not have any new updates from Pallotta. Pfister said there is a copy of the site investigation report posted on the town website. Members discussed.

Sustainable Jersey Updates

Wolf reminded everyone to continue working on their respective assignments for our Sustainable Jersey certification. He asked members to let him know if they know any individuals who would like to participate in the Mahwah Green Team or Sustainable Mahwah.

ANJEC Grant

Wolf said we filed an ANJEC grant for the Artificial Floating Island at Winter's Park. We will coordinate our work at Winter's Park with the Beautification Committee.

NJ Pay It and Go

Wolf said our NJ Pay It and Go initiative is moving forward. We will continue researching electric vehicle charging stations.

Member Appointment

Wolf said we hope to have a new member appointed soon.

SITE PLAN REVIEWS

None received

SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS

Steven and Gayle Weiss, 56 Feldman Court, Block 156, Lot 24, E-BD-216-304-702

The Environmental Commission reviewed a Soil Movement Permit Application for the installation of a pool, patio and cabana on the property.

This application review was accepted following a motion made by Seibert; seconded by Pfister. All other members were in favor.

Toll NJ IV, LLC, 281 East Crescent Avenue, Block 127.01, Lot 2, E-BD-216-3354

The Environmental Commission received a Soil Movement Permit Application for a new single-family dwelling on the property.

This application review was approved following a motion made by Pfister; seconded by Phiefer. All other members were in favor.

Georgios Rodas, 11 Braeburn Court, Block 127, Lot 40, E-BD-216-304-703

The Environmental Commission received a Soil Movement Permit Application for a new swimming pool, deck, retaining wall and pavers on the property.

This application review was approved following a motion made by Seibert; seconded by Phiefer. All other members were in favor.

Charles Reid, 31 Snow Drive, Block 70, Lot 62, E-BD-216-304-704

The Environmental Commission received a Soil Movement Permit Application for a new swimming pool and patio on the property.

This application review was approved following a motion made by Seibert; seconded by Seibert. All other members were in favor.

TENANT APPLICATIONS

The Environmental Commission reviewed and approved the following tenant applications:

Sonesta Select Mahwah, 140 State Highway 17 South, Block 129, Llot 2, TA21-0013
Hotel

The Christmas Stand LLC, 1 Lethbridge Plaza Suite 1, Block 63, Lot 6, TA21-0014
Ornament and t-shirt printing

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received and reviewed:

- Various copies of letters, agendas and minutes
- Upcoming ANJEC training sessions and webinars
- OPRA request regarding Tennessee Gas Pipeline Class Change
- Emails regarding recent and upcoming events

NEW BUSINESS

Tree Plan

Ariemma suggested we consider planting some trees this spring and using funds from our tree bank. Wolf will follow up with DPW to check on our options.

Tree Recovery Campaign

Wolf asked if members would like to postpone the Tree Giveaway until next spring, since that is a better time to plant seedlings. Members discussed.

OPEN SESSION

Seibert made a motion to reopen the meeting to the public; Phiefer seconded. All approved.

Resident John Fesen was listening in on the call. He had no formal comments. No further comments were made by the public.

Seibert made a motion to close the meeting to the public; seconded by Phiefer. All in favor.

There being no further questions or discussion, the remote meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 8 p.m. following a motion by Pfister; seconded by Phiefer. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2021 at 7 p.m.

J. Storms
Secretary