

**TOWNSHIP OF MAHWAH  
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2023**

The meeting of the Environmental Commission, held via remote video conference and in-person at the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Jack Pfister, Vice Chair. The Opening Statement was made. Roll call was taken.

Present: Janet Ariemma (*remote*)  
Mike Devaney  
Victoria Galow  
Jack Pfister (*remote*)  
Richard Wolf (*arrived 7:08 p.m.*)  
Gary Montroy, Alternate II (*remote*)

Jennifer Storms, Secretary  
Karin LaGreca, Sustainable Jersey Consultant

Absent: Sally Coda  
Richard Seibert  
Megan Charles, Alternate I  
Ward Donigian, Council Liaison

The minutes of the meeting held on August 9, 2023 were approved following a motion by Devaney; seconded by Galow. Montroy abstained. All other present members voted in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Solar Farm

Ariemma asked if we had heard anything about a solar farm on Island Road. Members discussed.

**TENANT APPLICATIONS**

The following tenant applications were reviewed and accepted:

Green Valley Group, Inc, State Highway Route 17, Block 26, Lot 9, TA22-0038  
Landscaping

VBPNP, LLP, 1200 Macarthur Boulevard, Block 139, Lot 2, TA23-0035  
Law Firm

**OPEN PUBLIC SESSION**

Devaney made a motion to open the meeting to the public; seconded by Montroy. All in favor.

Mahwah Day Updates

Rola Salloum presented her work on a rain garden presentation for Mahwah Day. Members discussed other ideas, including spotted lanternfly education. Members also discussed other ways to present the information in the booth.

**CLOSED SESSION**

Devaney made a motion to close the meeting to the public; seconded by Galow. All in favor.

**SITE PLAN REVIEWS**

TNYS Developers, Inc., 15 Mountain Avenue, Block 47, Lot 28.01, Docket #646SD

*Deferred to next meeting*

**SOIL MOVEMENT PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

*None received*

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ariemma asked if members knew about the affordable housing slated to be built on Ridge Road. Members discussed if there are any environmental concerns with the property.

**Mahwah Day – September 23, 2023**

Members discussed assignments for Mahwah Day. Ariemma, Coda, Galow and Wolf said they will be around throughout the day.

**Correspondence**

- Various correspondence, minutes and agendas

There being no further questions or discussion, the meeting of the Environmental Commission was adjourned at 8:05 p.m. following a motion by Galow; seconded by Devaney. All in favor. The next meeting will be held via remote video conference and in-person at the Municipal Building, 475 Corporate Drive, Mahwah, New Jersey, and is scheduled for Wednesday, September 13, 2023 at 7 p.m.

J. Storms  
Secretary