

**HOPATCONG ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
JANUARY 24, 2007**

The meeting of the Hopatcong Environmental Commission was opened by Mary Takacs at 8:04 p.m. with a statement that this meeting is held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-1 et seq., annual notice having been forwarded to The New Jersey Herald, The Sunday Herald and The Daily Record and posted on the bulletin board maintained in the Municipal Building for public announcements.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Bernice Gleason
Pat Gleason
Sharon Gruber
Sam Hoagland
Elizabeth Mauro
Mary Takacs

ABSENT: Malcolm Piester

Mary Takacs led the Salute to the Flag.

Also in attendance:
Mayor Richard Hodson

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 27, 2006 MINUTES

Sharon Gruber made a motion to approve the December 27, 2006 minutes. Sam Hoagland seconded the motion and all were in favor. **ABSTAIN:** B. Gleason, P. Gleason **ABSENT:** M. Piester

2007 REORGANIZATION MEETING

Mary Takacs read the Resolution for the 2007 annual meeting dates for the Environmental Commission.

Sharon Gruber made a motion to approve the 2007 Resolution for the annual meeting dates. Pat Gleason seconded the motion. **YES:** B. Gleason, P. Gleason, Gruber, Hoagland, Mauro, Takacs **ABSENT:** Piester

Sam Hoagland made a motion to nominate and keep the present officers in their current appointed positions.

- Mary Takacs, Environmental Commission Chairperson
- Elizabeth Mauro, Environmental Commission Deputy Chairperson
- Sharon Gruber, Environmental Commission Treasurer
- Sam Hoagland, Liaison for the Planning Board

Pat Gleason seconded the motion. **YES:** B. Gleason, P. Gleason, Gruber, Hoagland, Mauro, Takacs **ABSENT:** Piester

Sharon Gruber made a motion to re-appoint Marie Filoso for the Environmental Commission Recording Secretary. Sam Hoagland seconded the motion. **YES:** B. Gleason, P. Gleason, Gruber, Hoagland, Mauro, Takacs **ABSENT:** Piester

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Mary Takacs announced that the Resolution 06-08 was approved at the Lake Commission's regular meeting on December 18, 2006 requesting the State of New Jersey to ban the use of fertilizer containing phosphorus.

Mary mentioned that she received the report for the temporary budget for 2007.

A Letter of Interpretation was received regarding 402 Maxim Drive.

The Trails Hike for Hopatcong is set for June 2, 2007.

Mayor Hodson said that he would like to tackle the Recycling Program in the month of May. Sharon Gruber stated that Advanced Resources would be doing the recycling. Mayor Hodson mentioned making the month of May a time to recycle everything.

Mary Takacs read an article about Storm Run-Off Drains. Sam Hoagland is going before Mayor and Council to approve the stenciling at the storm drains in Hopatcong.

HAZMAT

January 16, 2007 – 13 Kynor Ave., oil leak, cleanup pending.

January 17, 2007 – 10 Alabama Ave., soil contamination, cleanup is pending.

Sam Hoagland made a motion to nominate Elizabeth Mauro for Liaison for the Open Space Committee. Sharon Gruber seconded the motion. **YES:** B. Gleason, P. Gleason, Gruber, Hoagland, Takacs **ABSTAIN:** Elizabeth Mauro **ABSENT:** Piester

Sharon Gruber suggested implementing an exhibit for awareness, advertising with local newspapers and informing the public of what is happening. Mayor Hodson and the Commission continued a discussion regarding the stenciling for the storm drains.

The Mayor reviewed and discussed the Highlands Regional Master Plan with the Environmental Commission.

ADJOURN

Sharon Gruber made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:18 p.m. Sam Hoagland seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Submitted by,

Marie Filoso
Recording Secretary