

**HOPATCONG ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MARCH 28, 2007**

The meeting of the Hopatcong Environmental Commission was opened by Mary Takacs at 7:35 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
Elizabeth Mauro
Mary Takacs
ABSENT: Sharon Gruber
Sam Hoagland
Sheryl Nowell

Also in attendance were:
Mayor Richard Hodson
Councilman John Armeno

Mary Takacs led the Salute to the Flag.

Councilman John Armeno presented the meeting with a suggestion that SLAP get involved with the cleaning of some of the streets in Hopatcong as well as the recycling center. John Armeno announced that May is going to be "Recycling Month."

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 28, 2007 MINUTES

Pat Gleason made a motion to approve the February 28, 2007 minutes. Bernice Gleason seconded the motion and all were in favor. **ABSENT:** Gruber, Hoagland & Nowell

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Community Forestry Program sent an application to the Environmental Commission for 99 tree seedlings. Mayor Hodson said that he was hoping to announce that there is an effort to plant 1000 trees.

Mary Takacs announced that there are workshops available and if anyone is interested in attended them, to see her.

Pat Gleason made a motion to donate \$100.00 to the Musconetcong River Water Shed. Elizabeth Mauro seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Highlands Conservation Association supports a change in the staff of the Highlands Council to consider the rights of the people living in that territory.

Letter of Interpretation establishing where regulated wetlands are found.

There is a workshop on Onsite Wastewater Systems at Rutgers on June 26 & 27, 2007.

New Jersey Clean Communities Seminar & Awards Banquet on May 23-25, 2007.

Bernice Gleason, Sheryl Nowell and Mary Takacs attended a workshop at Mt. Olive Township. Mary Takacs shared her notes with the Environmental Commission and setting goals and to have a newsletter was one of the suggestions as well as a butterfly park and a shade tree commission. Mary Takacs went on to talk about the other topics from the workshop.

Mayor Hodson reported on the Lake Hopatcong Commission Meeting.

ADJOURN

Pat Gleason made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. Elizabeth Mauro seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Submitted by,

Marie Filoso
Recording Secretary