

WTEAC Minutes August 18, 2022

Meeting opened under the Sunshine Law at 7:05 p.m.

Attendance (Roll Call) by Chair Amanda Brockwell

Present: Chair Amanda Brockwell, Vice Chair Jim Kenny, Secretary Ellen Smith, Township Committee Liaison Tim Farrell, Diane Beyer and Scott Burke

Absent: Hance Sitkus, Joe Balesterri and Mike Gorny

Guest: Matt Zahorsky P.E., C.M.E., Wall Twp. Director of Engineering and Planning

Member of the Public: David Roberts

May minutes: Jim Kenny motion 2nd Scott Burke

June minutes: Diane Beyer motion 2nd Jim Kenny

Matt Zahorsky gave an overview of the flow and process of the site plan process. He explained the roles of the Planning Board as well as the Board of Adjustments and the WTEAC's role in the site plan process. As an advisory committee we can make recommendations such as buffers, shade trees, environmental sensitivity of noise/light pollution, Stormwater management, etc.

Honoring Wilma Morrissey – The 9/11 Memorial, Community Park Nature Trail & draft letter/donation, and Monmouth County Environmental Council Resolution. Tim Farrell will keep us updated on renaming of nature trail and 9/11 Memorial. Wilma Morrissey's daughter Linda Zelek donated \$200 to the WTEAC in Wilma's name.

Birdhouse for Nature Garden - Scott Burke picked up a beautiful bird house at Wild Bird Seeds & Such. Tim Farrell will ask Public Works to install it at the Allenwood Native Garden.

Plastic Film Recycling Update – SC Johnson Plastic Film Collection Program may be possible here in Wall. They require curbside pick up but perhaps we can have collection bins at both Recycling centers. Mazza accepts plastic film. Tim Farrell will check with DPW to see if it's possible to bring plastic from the bins to Mazza. Maybe the schools can get involved? Chair Amanda Brockwell would like to do a survey in town about participation in recycling plastic film..

2022 Environmental Photo Contest: A winner has been awarded the first prize.

Committee Vacancy - One spot is vacant on the committee for the moment.

New Business - Discussion on projects and initiatives in the year ahead. - We will revisit the school contests to update and modernize. We will put more emphasis on Earth Day.

- Kids Day America September 24th 10am - The WTEAC will participate.

Public Comments - Member of the public David Roberts has filled out his citizen leadership application form to join the WTEAC. Tim Farrell will follow up with the Clerk.

Meeting adjournment - 8:30PM motion Scott Burke 2nd Diane Beyer

Next meeting date - September 15, 2022

Prepared by Ellen Smith