

Borough of Dumont Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

March 5, 2012

Meeting Called to Order by Craig Grothues- Commission Chairperson at 7:05 PM in the Dumont Public Library meeting room.

Flag Salute

Reading of the Sunshine Law

Roll Call: Craig Grothues, Dan Harrison, Seymour Berkowitz, Scott Johnson, Mike Affrunti and guest Maggie Gavin (future alternate member?); Councilperson Zemanchansky was unable to attend. Janet Bazzini has resigned. We can use another alternate member.

We did not have minutes to approve. Discussion that this meeting was set up to get the group rolling again after a several month hiatus. We will resume monthly meetings on the fourth MONDAY of the month instead of the fourth THURSDAY of the month. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be held March 26, 2012 at 7:00 PM in the Borough Hall. We will also change the meeting dates in May and December to the THIRD Monday due to holidays (May 21 and December 17) We will advise the Borough clerk of these changes so the Borough calendar can be updated.

Unfinished Business:

Discussed the potential Community Garden Sites- we need help from Councilperson Zemanchansky going forward as to where we stand with our proposed sites from last year. We need to contact John Perkins as well for a list of available land.

New Business:

Committee discussed a clean up of the Veterans Plaza area with the assistance of Craig's High School Classes with dates To Be Announced. The entire CVS area is felt to be a major mess and if we get the kid's help, it may help keep the area cleaner.

Mike Affrunti discussed a Fishing Tourney possibly with the DARE program also with date TBA. Most likely sometime in June, maybe at White Beeches CC?

Discussion on Pocket Park spruce up- need mulch, perennial donations; Seymour to write a letter to the Twin Boro News.

Seymour brought up discussion of a better way for the Borough to collect leaves in the Borough; he suggested pushing composting or bagging to expedite pick up and prevent leaves from blowing around to neighbor's yards.

Gave tasks to all members for the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:58 PM