

**MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**May 13, 2019 7:00 p.m.**

*Call to Order:* The May 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 regular meeting of the Environmental Commission was called to order by Dottie Wirth at 7:00 p.m. at the Mansfield Township Municipal Building.

*Flag Salute*

*Open Public Meetings Statement:* Public notice of this meeting pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act NJSA 10:4.6 to 10:4.21 has been satisfied. Notice of this meeting was properly given in the annual notice which was adopted by Mansfield Township Environmental Commission on January 6, 2019. Said resolution was transmitted to the Burlington County Times, filed with the Clerk of the Township, posted on the official bulletin board at the Municipal Complex, filed with the members of this body, and mailed to each person who has requested copies of the Regular Meeting Schedule and who prepaid any charges fixed for such service. All of the mailing, posting, and filing has been accomplished as of January 16, 2019.

**ROLL CALL**

Dorothy Wirth- <b>present</b>	Robert Tallon- <b>present</b>	Serra Gungor-absent
Jack Kelly- <b>present</b>	Daniel Caldwell- <b>present</b>	Frederick D. Cain - <b>present</b>
Robert Harrison- <b>present</b>	Todd Kokotajlo- <b>present</b>	Robert J. Higgins, Liaison
Mark Clark-absent		Frederick D. Cain, Liaison

**Approval of Minutes:**

- Fred Cain made a motion to approve the March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting minutes, and Jack Kelly seconded the motion. The remaining present members who attended the March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting approved the minutes. The motion passed.
- There was no need to vote on Minutes from April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 since it was not an official meeting due to not having a quorum.

**Correspondence:**

**Engineer Report:**

1. Ad-Dawah Center - Ground Penetrating Radar Study

Dan Caldwell has reviewed the geophysical investigation report prepared by Delta Geophysics, Inc. and was satisfied with its results. He further agreed with Mr. Fox's recommendations in his letter dated March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to the Zoning Board that the owners of Ad-Dawah Center should be very careful and protect the graves and grave markers during the proposed construction.

2. Code changes Chapter 17A (Environmental Commission)

Dan Caldwell has met with Township Planner Ed Fox and discussed proposed

changes to the code, which were covered by Mr. Fox in his letter dated January 17, 2019 to Mr. Fitzpatrick. In order to go through with the updating of the code, additional funds will need to be allocated to pay for Mr. Fox's time to implement said changes.

Further, Dan informed the Board that he believes that the regulations for stormwater basins needs to be updated and there is a need for implementations of basin inspections.

The Board Members agreed that updates are necessary, especially to be a MLUL compliant. Also, the Board wanted to make sure that future developers comply with the requirements listed in the Ordinance 2012-3.

A motion to have Dan Caldwell reach out to the Planning Board and Zoning Board to advise them as to the Board's wishes to have the code updates made, as well as ask for the allocation of the funds necessary to update the code was made by Fred Cain and seconded by Bob Tallon. All present members approved and the motion passed.

**New Business:**

1. Site plan application for Homestead Plaza

The Board has reviewed the application and has agreed to extending the waiver with the contingency that the Planning Board Engineer review the current stormwater system and whether or not it will be able to handle the additional stormwater runoff upon the completion of the proposed project.

A motion to have Dan Caldwell reach out to the Planning Board and Zoning Board to advise them as to the Board's approval for the waiver upon the Planning Board's Engineer's review of the current stormwater system and its capability to handle any additional stormwater runoff from the completed project and seconded by Bob Tallon. All present members approved and the motion passed.

**Old Business: None**

Bob Tallon advised the Board that he has attended a meeting regarding DEP proposal for additional C-1 buffers. DEP has found that the water quality of streams is declining mostly due to the growing development and upraise in the pesticide usage. They proposed a 300 ft. buffer. Most people were in acceptance of the proposal with the exception of the development attorneys.

Dottie Wirth addressed her concerns about the illegal dumping of tires at various locations in town. She has reported it to the township and the tires were removed and disposed.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made at 8:00 p.m. by Jack Kelly and seconded by Todd Kokotajlo. All present members approved and the motion passed.

Respectfully prepared and submitted:

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Yaga Erwin, Secretary