

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
January 5, 2022 Minutes

Notice of Harrington Park Environmental Commission meeting location change January 5, 2022. Pursuant to Governor Murphy's Executive Orders #107 and 108 ordering Statewide lockdowns, and P.L. 2020, c. 34 permitting public bodies to conduct meetings via electronic means during declared states of emergency, the meeting of the Borough of Harrington Park Environmental Commission meeting scheduled for January 5 **at 7:30 p.m.** will be conducted remotely from the electronic meeting platform Zoom.us. Members of the public can join the meeting and participate during public comment period by joining the meeting using the Zoom mobile application on a smartphone or tablet, joining the meeting by laptop with microphone capabilities, or dialing in using a telephone to the Zoom teleconference system. Information on how to join the meeting electronically appears below. Members of the public may submit written comments in advance of a meeting, which will be read during the relevant public portion of the meeting. Written comments shall contain the person's name and address and may be submitted via email to the Borough Clerk (clerk@harringtonparknj.gov) or by mail addressed to: Clerk, Borough Hall, 85 Harriot Ave., Harrington Park, NJ. Emailed comments must be received at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. Mailed comments must be received by 4:00 p.m. the day before the meeting. If any meeting includes a public hearing, all material that will be considered by the Borough Council at the public hearing shall be posted on or linked to the homepage of the Borough's website in a conspicuous location or as otherwise required by law. Written comments, as set forth above, will be accepted for such public hearings. If sworn testimony is to be taken during the public hearing, it shall be broadcast by both video and audio. Written public comments will not be considered where sworn testimony is required. Topic: Environmental Commission of Harrington Park meeting. Date and Time: January 6, 2021, 7:30 p.m. EST. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81425265967?pwd=eHd4RUwrdUZFYTM2eXVtdUdjVVZQQT09>. Meeting ID: 814 2526 5967 Passcode: 08052020 One tap mobile +16465588656,,81425265967#,,, *08052020# US (New York). Dial by your location +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) Meeting ID: 814 2526 5967 Passcode: 08052020. Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81425265967?pwd=eHd4RUwrdUZFYTM2eXVtdUdjVVZQQT09>. A copy of the agenda is available at the Borough of Harrington Park website: www.harringtonparknj.gov. Members of the public may contact the Borough Clerk to obtain copies of the meeting materials at (201) 768-1700 during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. during normal business days, or by e-mail: Ann Bistriz clerk@harringtonparknj.gov All documents for matters on the agenda are electronically on file at the following website: www.harringtonparknj.gov.

Peter Ardito opened the meeting at 7:37 pm with the following announcement: The notice requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey have been satisfied by the inclusion of the date, time and place of this regular meeting in the annual schedule and notice of regular meetings of this Governing Body. Such annual schedule and notice of regular meetings is posted at Borough Hall, was mailed to the Record and is filed with the Borough Clerk. Further, the amendment to the format of the meeting was adequately advertised.

Roll Call

Peter Ardito (PA) - present	Sung Yoo (SY) - absent
Theresa Hazelton (TH) - present	Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - present
Meredith Budinich (MB) - present	Anne Lander (AL) - absent
Councilman Blackinton - present	

REORGANIZATION

-Theresa nominated Peter for Chair, second Mary Ann.

Peter Ardito (PA) - abstain	Councilman Blackinton - yes
Theresa Hazelton (TH) - yes	Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - yes
Meredith Budinich (MB) - yes	

Meredith nominated Theresa for Vice Chair, second Peter.

Peter Ardito (PA) - yes
Theresa Hazelton (TH) - abstain
Meredith Budinich (MB) – yes

Councilman Blackinton - yes
Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - yes

Peter welcomed our new council liaison, Bill Blackinton

committee assignments

shred day Peter, Theresa, MaryAnn

earth day Theresa, Mary Ann

Sustainable Jersey Mary Ann, Peter, Meredith

Green Team Mary Ann, (all help)

Town Day Meredith, Peter, (Anne or Sung as third)

Farmers Market Peter, Anne

Community Garden All, led by Meredith and Anne

School Theresa

Mary Ann moved to close the reorganization portion, second Peter. All in favor

Roll Call

Peter Ardito (PA) - present
Theresa Hazelton (TH) - present
Meredith Budinich (MB) - present
Councilman Blackinton - present

Sung Yoo (SY) - absent
Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - present
Anne Lander (AL) - absent

Theresa moved to accept the minutes of 12/1/21, second Mary Ann. All in favor.
Meredith and Bill abstained.

OLD

-Highland Ave. update

-community garden update

-shred day will be April 23 9:00am – 1:00 pm.

-OT 244 update: Old Tappan does not seem to want to apply for Green Acres money to block the development.

-recycling cardboard update: HP DPW superintendent asked that the EC not push for a lot of people to bring cardboard to the recycling center until we can do it within his budget. Peter will work with the DPW and Mayor and Council.

-continued Zooming timeframe—until further notice.

NEW

-Girl Scout tree donation: The Girl scouts sponsored a tree at the county exhibit. It now needs to be picked up. Peter is trying to reach the leader (Mrs. Forma). She wanted the DPW to pick it up. Peter has arranged for Cleatus Farm to pick up and plant once we know where to pick up. Maybe plant at the library to allow the Girl Scouts to decorate each year.

-projects for 2022

Plant more trees

Community Garden

Clean ups

Bee hives: People will meet on January 22 11-2 to pull weeds.

Any funds raised from hummus will go into the tree fund.

The Sustainable Jersey deadline is June 6.

Orange and Rockland's arborist called Peter. Two large trees are very sick and will be cut down.

Mary Ann moved to adjourn second Theresa. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 2