

Harrington Park Environmental Commission
March 2, 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 March 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: March 2, 2022, 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/kQQqVqoj5>. 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 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.

Roll Call

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

Sung Yoo (SY) - present at 8:18 pm
Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - absent
Anne Lander (AL) - present

Ally Murphy spoke to the EC about HP Teens for Tomorrow. They would like to do a cleanup or something in April. PA suggested they clean Old Hook Road and suggested having the Police close off one lane. AL will get gloves and vests from the County. Ally suggested they might also want to do a walkathon.

OLD

-ATV ordinance vote
-Community Garden update MB gave details about the Old Tappan Community Garden. BB reported that St. Andrews would like to discuss housing it on their property. He also suggested

putting it at Highland Field where the pond used to be. BB will reach out to the Recreation Commission. PA will look at the area.

-school update TN has not heard back from the HP School Superintendent. He did say that a garbage can could go from the school to Don Horsey Park, but the DPW Supervisor found a different one. The DPW will empty it. Maybe down the road we can upgrade to a trash/recycling receptacle.

-Peter refilled all Pooch Paper dispensers. We can get an additional 3 receptacles and paper for \$650.00.

-Shred Day staffing April 23: Peter, Anne, Marti, Theresa.

-possible Earth Day event ideas

-Girl Scout tree is at Cleatus. It has not yet been planted.

-Tree planting location ideas

-Bees

-244 Old Tappan Road: the petition to fight the development received 750+ signers. A historian, planner, and maybe lawyer will present.

NEW

-ATV Ordinance. The current vehicle ordinance does not include ATVs. The Borough Attorney added that vehicle and added the Suez property (with Suez permission). TN moved to open the meeting to the public, second MB. All in favor. Carried. TN moved to close the meeting to the public, second MB. All in favor. Carried. TN moved to accept the additions to the ordinance, second AL.

Peter Ardito (PA) - yes

Theresa Hazelton (TH) - yes

Meredith Budinich (MB) - yes

Councilman Blackinton (BB) – yes

Sung Yoo (SY) - absent

Mary Ann Schran (MAS) - absent

Anne Lander (AL) - yes

Carried.

\$16000 from the development on Pascack will go into the tree fund. 2 trees will go to the Post Office. Trees will be planted in the open space in Closter Road by May. TN suggested dressing up the island near Eastbrook. Possibly grasses.

-PA met with the Tenafly Nature Center. They would be interested in joining a nonprofit group.

-Boy Scout project (Nolan was unable to attend due to a family situation)

-Beechwood date (reline pathway borders, finish chips)

PUBLIC COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE: April 6, 2022 VOTE TO CLOSE AL moved to adjourn, second MB. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm