

**MINUTES OF THE  
MENDHAM BOROUGH ECOSST  
REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, March 7, 2022  
Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, NJ**

**CALL TO ORDER&FLAG SALUTE**

The Reorganization/ Regular meeting of the Mendham Borough ECOSST was called to order virtually via Zoom at 7:30 p.m. and the open public meeting statement was read into the record.

**APPOINTMENTS/OATHS OF OFFICE**

The Commission Secretary administered Oaths of Office to the following member(s):

- Lawrence Morris – Shade Tree Alternate expiring 12/31/2024
- Marian Mundy – Regular Member expiring 12/31/2023

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Arena	Present	Mr. Brooks	Absent
Ms. Mundy	Present	Ms. Golier	Present
Mr. Metzler	Absent	Mr. Tracy	Present
Mr. Wells	Present	Mr. Morris	Present
Ms. Tracy	Absent		
Mr. Foerster	Absent		

Also Present: Mr. Patton, High School Liaison  
Mayor Glassner

**MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Tracy, seconded by Mr. Wells and unanimously carried by voice vote to adopt the Minutes of the February 7, 2022 meeting, as presented.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: Mr. Arena, Mr. Wells, Ms. Golier and Mr. Tracy

Opposed:

Abstain: Ms. Mundy and Mr. Morris

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

The group updated the Work Groups to include the new members.

**A. Work Groups Reports**

1) Open Space / Farmland Preserve

- a) Mr. Arena will contact Mr. Connelly to ask if he has a copy of the Open Space Plan.

2) Environmental

- a) No Update

3) Shade Tree

- a) No Update

**B. ECOSST Project Group Report**

- a. United Methodist Church
  - i. Mayor Glassner explained the reasoning for the property acquisition. Mayor Glassner stated that there was no closing date yet and Earth Day in April would be a good time to start the cleanup of the property. Mayor Glassner suggested utilizing the various groups ie..boy scouts, girl scouts, etc. to help with the cleanup.
- b. Scott Farm
  - i. The due date for applying for the grant for the stabilization of the Scott Farm Barn is coming up.
- c. Connector Trail from Patriots Path to Shopping Center
  - i. Mr. Wells stated that at the last meeting Ms. Bushman said that the money for the trail design was in the budget and explained that a letter of intent would be submitted to the County by the end of June. Mayor Glassner asked where the trail will be and there may be a problem with getting the owner's consent. Mr. Arena explained that getting the plan would give the information that if the property sells and the owner wants to do something with the property, the Borough can put a condition on the approval to allow the trail. Mr. Wells stated that 80% of the design and permit fees would be paid by the County.
  - ii. Loop Trail- Mr. Wells will be looking into the Loop trail project. Mr. Arena suggested speaking with Councilman Riley regarding the trail.
- d. Farmers Market
  - i. Marian explained that there is a lot needed in order to have a farmers' market like insurance, help, etc. and there is not enough manpower.
- e. Scout Project Group
  - i. No Updates
- f. Signs
  - i. Mayor Glassner explained that the Borough applied for Historic Markers from the County.
- g. Recycling/Clean Communities Outreach Program
  - i. No Updates
- h. Outdoor Pavilion at India Brook
  - i. No Updates
- C. Events Calendar
  - a. Mr. Arena noted Paper Shredders and Tech Recycling - Saturday 3/26/22. 9am -1 pm- and that since this is a Borough only event this time, Mr. Arena asked that Ms. Smith let DPW know that licenses should be checked.
  - b. Arbor Day Tree Seedlings- April 2022- Date TBD

## NEW BUSINESS

a. Mr. Arena spoke with the Mendham Township Environmental Committee regarding partnering with them in becoming a National Wildlife Federation Wildlife Habitat Town and that this may be done as a shared service.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Arena opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments on items not included on the agenda. There being none, the public session was closed.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Wells, seconded by Ms. Mundy and unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Lisa Smith*

Land Use Coordinator