# MINUTES OF THE MENDHAM BOROUGH ECOSST REORGANIZATION/REGULAR MEETING

Monday, April 4, 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):

•Tim Foerster – Shade Tree Member expiring 12/31/2024

### ROLL CALL

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

Also Present: Mr. Patton, High School Liaison

## **MINUTES**

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

#### ROLL CALL

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

Opposed:

Abstain: Mr. Foerster

# **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

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

- A. Work Groups Reports
  - 1) Open Space / Farmland Preserve
    - a) No Updates
  - 2) Environmental
    - a) No Updates
  - 3) Shade Tree
    - a) Mr. Foerster stated that approximately 30 trees have been ordered as part of the yearly planting.
- B. ECOSST Project Group Report
  - a. Scott Farm

- i. Mr. Arena will check on the status of the grant from the County for the Scott Farm Barn.
- b. Recycling/Clean Communities Outreach Program
  - i. No Updates
- c. Service Projects(Scout Liaison)
  - i. Mr. Arena stated that Mr. Lawrence and Mr. Arena walked the property at Scott Farm and will be looking for locations to place benches, bird and bat houses, and plant approximately 200 whips along the stream. Mr. Foerster will look at the area to see if it is sun/shade/wet and make suggestions
- d. Connector Trail from Patriots Path to Shopping Center No Updates
- e. Events Calendar
  - i. Arbor Day Tree Seedlings- April 2022- Date TBD
  - ii. Mr. Arena explained that he is waiting on approval from Mayor and Council to join with the Mendham Township Environmental Committee in becoming a National Wildlife Federation Wildlife Habitat Town.
- f. United Methodist Church
  - Mr. Arena and Mr. Tracy walked the property and found areas that can be cleared, and benches placed. Mr. Arena found a power source and will ask Mr. Cooper, DPW Superintendent, where it is coming from. There will be a cleanup event at the end of April.
- g. Signs
  - i. No Updates
- h. Outdoor Pavilion at India Brook
  - i. No Updates

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **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. Tracy, seconded by Mr. Foerster and unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Smith

Land Use Coordinator