

**MINUTES OF THE  
MENDHAM BOROUGH ECOSST  
REGULAR MEETING  
Monday, May 6, 2024  
Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, NJ**

**CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Mr. Arena	Present	Mr. Tracy	Present
Ms. Mundy	Absent	Mr. Foerster	Present
Mr. Metzler	Present	Mr. Morris	Absent
		Mr. D'Urso	Absent

**MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Metzler, seconded by Mr. Tracy and unanimously carried by voice vote to adopt the Minutes of the April 1, 2024, meeting as presented.

**ROLL CALL**

In Favor: Mr. Arena, Mr. Metzler, Mr. Tracy, and Mr. Foerster

Opposed:

Abstain:

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Arena opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments on items not included on the agenda.

Mr. Van Den Hende, 11 Coventry Rd., suggested an article on the website with each of the Open Space properties owned by the Borough.

There being no other comments, public comment was closed.

**NEW BUSINESS/OTHER ITEMS**

Mr. Arena stated that Mr. Well resigned and thanked him for all of his efforts.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Work Groups Reports

- a. Open Space / Farmland Preserve
  - i. No Update
- b. Environmental
  - i. No Update
- c. Shade Tree
  - i. Mr. Foerster stated that the DPW will be starting to plant 38 trees in multiple locations.

B. Project Group Report

- a. Scott Farm
  - i. Mr. Arena noted that the scout that installed the bench and table will be staining them soon.
- b. Recycling/Clean Communities Outreach Program

- i. No Updates
- c. Service Projects (Scout Liaison)
  - i. Mr. Arena stated that Mr. Morris has an IB student that would like to install 3-5 benches as a project at India Brook.
- d. Trails
  - i. Mr. Arena stated that he spoke with Trout Unlimited and they would like to help replant after the stones are cleaned up.
  - ii. Mr. Foerster volunteered to put together a list of trees that can be planted in shady areas.
- e. Events Calendar
  - i. Mr. Arena noted that 25 large bags of garbage and 1 wicker chair were collected at the Raritan Headwaters Annual Stream Cleanup on April 20, 2024.
- f. Methodist Church Property
  - i. Mr. Tracy stated that high school students helped clean up and removed garbage on the same day as the stream cleanup.
  - ii. Mr. Tracy stated that he will ask DPW to remove under brush.
  - iii. Mr. Foerster noted that he spoke with DPW about tree removal.
- g. Community Wildlife Habitat
  - i. No Updates.
- h. Joint Land Use Board
  - i. No Updates
- i. Council Updates
  - i. No Updates
- j. Publicity
  - i. No Updates

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Mr. Tracy, seconded by Mr. Foerster and unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Lisa Smith*  
Land Use Coordinator