

**MINUTES OF THE
MENDHAM BOROUGH ECOSST
REGULAR MEETING
Monday, June 5, 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	Absent	Mr. Morris	Present
		Mr. D'Urso	Present

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Tracy, seconded by Mr. Foerster and unanimously carried by voice vote to adopt the Minutes of the May 6, 2024, meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL

In Favor: Mr. Arena, 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.

Ms. Herrick, 25 Franklin noted that the path on Franklin needs repaving.

Mr. Van Den Hende, 11 Coventry Rd., stated that the path that Ms. Herrick is speaking of is asphalt and needs to be maintained.

There being no other comments, public comment was closed.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER ITEMS

IB student Gavin Skyler gave a presentation to construct and install red bellied woodpecker houses along Patriots Path. After discussion a motion was made by Mr. Morris and seconded by Mr. D'Urso to approve the proposed project.

ROLL CALL

In Favor: Mr. Arena, Mr. Tracy, Mr. Foerster, Mr. Morris, and Mr. D'Urso

Opposed:

Abstain:

Mr. Neff- NJ Audubon gave a presentation proposing Kestrel boxes be installed at Scott Farm. After discussion a motion was made by Mr. D'Urso and seconded by Mr. Foerster to approve the proposed project.

ROLL CALL

In Favor: Mr. Arena, Mr. Tracy, Mr. Foerster, Mr. Morris, and Mr. D’Urso

Opposed:

Abstain:

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.
 - ii. Left over trees or whips can be planted at Scott Farm
- B. Project Group Report
 - a. Scott Farm
 - i. Mr. Arena stated that there will be a design for the barn stabilization.
 - b. Recycling/Clean Communities Outreach Program
 - i. Mr. Arena noted that the Styrofoam recycling at the Township garage on Saturday from 9-12pm
 - c. Service Projects (Scout Liaison)
 - i. Mr. Morris stated that the IB student is ½ done with the website project
 - ii. Mr. Morris explained that he has not heard from the scout that was doing the church path project.
 - d. Trails
 - i. No updates
 - e. Events Calendar
 - i. Mr. Arena noted that the Styrofoam recycling at the Township garage on Saturday from 9-12pm
 - f. Methodist Church Property
 - i. Mr. Tracy noted that the DPW is working on the tree removal.
 - g. Community Wildlife Habitat
 - i. No Updates.
 - h. Joint Land Use Board
 - i. No Update
 - i. Council Updates
 - i. No Updates
 - j. Publicity
 - i. No Updates

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. D’Urso and unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Smith

Land Use Coordinator