

**WYCKOFF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Public Business Meeting Minutes**  
**June 13, 2022**

**Date:** Monday, June 13, 2022  
**Time:** 7:00 PM  
**Location:** Wyckoff Town Hall, 340 Franklin Ave., Wyckoff, NJ, Ladderback Meeting Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Beth Fischer, Wyckoff Environmental Commission Chairwoman. Open Public Meeting Notice was read by Chairwoman Beth Fischer. Minutes taken by Commissioner Koeber.

"The June 13, 2022, Public Business Meeting of the Wyckoff Environmental Commission is now in session. In accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of the Open Public Meetings Act, I wish to advise that notice of this meeting has been posted in the lower level of the Memorial Town Hall and that copy of the annual schedule of meetings has also been filed with the Township Clerk, and copies of this agenda and the annual notice of meetings, of which this is a part, have been heretofore sent to the *Ridgewood News*, *The Record*, and the *North Jersey Herald and News*, all papers with general circulation throughout the Township of Wyckoff." Formal action may be taken at this meeting.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present: Danyel Competiello, Beth Fischer, Lisa Koeber, Pete Melchionne, Ben Weiner, Sebastian D, Eve N, Justin S.  
Absent: Kelli Benedik. Roger Lane  
Green Team:

**Motion to approve minutes from the May 16, 2022, meeting.**

Motion: Weiner Second: Competiello  
Kelli Benedik Absent Board Liaison Bogdanskyy Abstain Competiello Y Fischer Y Koeber Y Lane Absent Weiner Y

**1) Priority Review Items:**

- a) Sustainable Jersey Silver Re-Certification – Wyckoff Silver Certification expires Dec 2022. Recertification application submitted 5/22/22. Currently closed and under review at Sustainable Jersey. Application status and reviewer comments are expected in early July.
- b) Sub-committees- action updates – Commissioners Bogdanskyy, Fischer, and Weiner reported.
  - i) Items marked as "Planned" are being worked on and will be submitted for review in 2<sup>nd</sup> application round in August. Commissioner Fischer will meet with town administrator to provide an update when 1<sup>st</sup> round application with comments is available. Additional action assignments to be discussed at July WEC meeting.
  - ii) Green Business Recognition Program – Commissioner Bogdanskyy is working on the program - due by end of August 2022. Green Business Logo approved unanimously. Program rollout will be a letter with link to program application – will send to Peter Melchionne for review, approval, and processing. Discussed certifying and highlighting the PTO Economy Shop as a Green Business.
- c) Fishing Derby was a success. We had a good turnout of 98 participants. For the future, discussion included setting up registration tables by age group for sign-up, then the Fly Rodders with the worms, including education material on ways to prevent water pollution, etc. End of table will be area to measure fish. Suggested we get large plastic yardstick so numbers are easier to read. Suggested ideas for future prizes: fishing vest, fishing activity kits. Add prize for "Most Fish caught" to each age group.
- d) Fall Shred Fest – fall date October 15, 2022. Include on calendar as Recycling Day to include Shred Fest, Styrofoam Recycling, and medicine containers/bottles.

**2) Grant Programs for 2022:**

- a) No new grant opportunities currently

**3) Planning Board –** Commissioner Bogdanskyy reported on T-Mobile Generator work and EV charging station application in the Cedar Hill Shopping center.

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**4) New Business – none**

**5) Other Business**

- a) Sustainable Jersey Bergen HUB - Commissioner Weiner reported no formal meeting since February. Subcommittee still looking at alternative for styrofoam recycling. Ridgewood piloting a residential program and the county is researching foam densifiers.
- b) Wyckoff School's WEC Liaison – PTO Go Green committees will submit end of year summary of activities. EMS Community Garden has all 10 beds adopted by a combination of teachers, school clubs, and families.
- c) Recycle Coach – April = 45 new subscribers, YTD subscribers = 3,267
- d) BCUA  
Household Hazardous Waste/Other Waste events – Sunday, July 16, Mahwah  
Shredding/Computers, Tire Recycling- Saturday, August 6, 2022, Paramus
- e) Jr. Commissioner projects –
  - i) Sebastian working on the pollinator project – Preparing for planting in fall. Working on video for project. Discussed Project Outline. – Advisors: Commissioner Fischer and Commissioner Weiner
  - ii) Justin – Tree Project – Will work on education video on the benefit of trees. Planning to contact Shade Tree Commission. Research Tree City USA status. – Advisors: Commissioner Fischer, Green Team volunteer Stan Goodman
  - iii) Eve – 2022 Green Fair – November 19, 2022, will be held at the library -Shotmeyer Room. Advisors: Commissioner Fischer and Commissioner Competiello.
  - iv)

**6) Green Team Volunteer Approved Activities/Comments**

- a) FLOW Green Film Fest – Outdoor Movie and EV Car Show in Oakland on Jun 4 was a success, approx 100 families were registered to attend. Planning for 2023 to begin Fall 2022, looking for Commissioner to participate on FLOW Green Film Fest planning committee
- b) Recycleballs – Outdoor Tennis Ball Container has been ordered. Will be placed at tennis courts when delivered.
- c) Commissioner Fischer reported that the Trex Bench has been ordered in green. Suggested placement at the library. Once installed, hoping to get coverage in “Wyckoff Living Magazine” to highlight the project and the importance of recycling plastic film
- d) Wyckoff Day – September 10, 2022. WEC/Jr Commissioner volunteers needed.

**7) Adjournment –** There being no further business, a motion to adjourn by Mr. Weiner and seconded Mrs. Koeber was passed unanimously. The meeting concluded at 7:56pm.

**Next meeting –** July 18, 2022 – 7:00pm Town Hall Upstairs Ladderback Meeting Room

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Capparelli  
Wyckoff Environmental Commission Secretary