

**WYCKOFF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**  
**Public Business Meeting Minutes**  
**September 19, 2022**

**Date:** Monday, September 19, 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 Chairwoman Fischer.

“The September 19, 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: Kelli Benedik, Danyel Competiello, Beth Fischer, Lisa Koeber, Sebastian D., Justin S.  
Absent: Mae Bogdansky, Denise Capparelli, Roger Lane, Ben Weiner, Eve N.  
Green Team:

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

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

**1) Priority Review Items:**

- a) Sustainable Jersey Silver Re-Certification – Second round application submitted 8/28/22. Still under review at Sustainable Jersey. Application status and reviewer comments are expected week of October 10. Wyckoff Silver Certification expires Dec 2022.
- b) Sub-committees – no action updates – waiting for reviewer comments on any actions that need revision

**2) Grant Programs for 2022:**

- a) No new grant opportunities currently

**3) Planning Board – Commissioner Bogdansky absent**

**4) New Business**

- a) September Chamber of Commerce Meeting 9/20/22 at 8 AM, Benares Restaurant – Chairwoman Fischer will present on the Green Business Program
- b) Commissioners are invited to attend the High School Community Service Fairs : Ramapo 9/23/22, Indian Hills 9/28/22 - 10 am – 1 pm
- c) Volunteers are needed for the WEC Green Fair on 11/19/22 from 11 am – 2 pm. Information tables include What is the WEC/Green Team, Townwide recycling program, No Idling, Styrofoam Recycling, Pollinators, Tree, and Composting. Invitees include the RIH and IHHS Environmental Clubs, EMS Green Nation, Wyckoff Area Garden Club, Partners in Pride, and Economy Shop.
- d) There will be another Trex Plastic Bag and Film Recycling Challenge in October. The goal is to collect at least 500 pounds of plastic waste to earn another Trex Bench for the library.

**5) Other Business**

- a) All Junior Commissioners reported they are on track to have their project completed by November.
- b) Sustainable Jersey Bergen HUB – no report

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- c) Wyckoff School's WEC Liaison – K-8 Anti-Idling Campaign in October: Chairwoman Fischer created a No Idling Pledge and the Girl Scout Troop 95930 No Idling video will be shared via principal e-blasts. Recycling Road Show: Chairwoman Fischer is hoping to attend a K-8 PTO meeting at each school this spring to share information about townwide recycling programs.
- d) Recycle Coach – April = 51 new subscribers, YTD subscribers = 3,426
- e) BCUA
  - Household Hazardous Waste/Other Waste events – Sunday, October 16, Paramus
  - Shredding/Computers, Tire Recycling – Sunday, October 2, Mahwah
- f) 9/17/22 Shredfest Update – 301 cars, 30 cubic yards of Styrofoam and 19 lbs. medicine recovered at the event. Thank you to Denise Capparelli for coordinating and volunteer assistance from Environmental Commissioner Fisher, Green Team volunteers: Mark Niederman, Stan Goodman, Evelyn Walloga and Jeanette DeSalvo along with DPW workers and Mayor Boonstra.
- g) Recap of Wyckoff Day – Chairwoman Fischer reported that the Wyckoff Environmental Commission/Green Team booth was a success. There was information on No Idling with giveaways, Buy Fresh, Buy Local flyer with reusable bag giveaways, Styrofoam Recycling, Pollinators with milkweed seed giveaways, Save the Date Flyer for the Green Fair, and games made from recycled materials. She thanked Commissioner Weiner, Commissioner Lane, Junior Commissioner Sebastian, Junior Commissioner Justin, Green Team volunteers Ron Javer, Evelyn Walloga, and Lauren Markarian, TC Liaison Melchionne, and Girl Scouts Anna, Chloe, and Simone for helping to set up and/or staff booth throughout the day with her.

**6) Adjournment** – There being no further business, a motion to adjourn by Commissioner Competiello and seconded by Commissioner Benedik was passed unanimously. The meeting concluded at 7:37pm.

**Next meeting** – October 17, 2022 – 7:00 pm Town Hall Upstairs Ladderback Meeting Room

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Capparelli  
Wyckoff Environmental Commission Secretary