

**WYCKOFF ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION (WEC)  
OCTOBER 17, 2016 PUBLIC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**DATE:** Monday, October 17, 2016  
**TIME:** 7:30 p.m.  
**LOCATION:** Wyckoff Public Library – History Room  
200 Woodland Avenue, Wyckoff, NJ

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pete Wiederhold, Chair; Harriet Shugarman; Christopher DePhillips; Christine Key; John McCauley; Randy Hoogerheyde; Tom Madigan, Committeeman; Robert Fortunato, Planning Board Liaison; Julie Wisniewski, Junior Commissioner and Andrew Sander, Junior Commissioner.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Susan McQuaid, Secretary

**GREEN TEAM TASK FORCE MEMBERS PRESENT:** John Adams; JR Frank; Mark Niederman; Bill Novy

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Pete Wiederhold.

The Open Public Meeting Notice was read by Pete Wiederhold:

“The October 17, 2016 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 that 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 was taken.

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The Commissioners and Green Team Members offered a special thank you to Laura Leonard, Wyckoff Librarian and to the Library Board for housing our meeting this evening and providing a tour of Origins of Species.

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**I** Motion was made and seconded to adopt the September 19, 2016 meeting minutes. The minutes were not adopted due to lack of voting members.

Motion: Wiederhold Second: Fortunato  
Fortunato Y McCauley Y Key Y Hoogerheyde Y  
Madigan Y DePhillips AB Shugarman Y Wiederhold Y

**II Public Comment Opportunity**  
No Comments

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**III Environmental Commission (Green Team) Activities/Programs/Grants for 2016  
UPCOMING AND PAST EVENTS**

- Commissioner Shugarman was at the recent ANJEC meeting and highly recommends for the future as they represent Environmental Commissions in the State. They may be able to assist us with our Natural Resource Inventory.

**IV Old Business**

**Monarch Butterfly Way Station at Russell Farms Community Park**

- Ramapo College Professor will be happy to come to Wyckoff to offer assistance with our Monarch Butterfly way station. Commissioner Shugarman will contact the professor.

**Mayor's Wellness Committee – Update**

- Township Committee Representative Madigan said the Mayor's Wellness website is updated every week with useful and timely wellness information for residents. He added that the Mayor's Wellness was part of our Sustainable Jersey application where the Township received 20 points.

**Pilgrim Pipeline – Update**

- It was noted that there will be a CAPPNJ fall strategy meeting and dinner on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 in Parsippany, NJ. The Pilgrim Pipeline has formally applied for permits in New York State, and recently indicated they will come in for their NJ permits by the end of this year. The Coalition against Pilgrim Pipeline (CAPP) says the company, Pilgrim Pipeline Holdings, wants to build two, one-way underground pipelines to move crude oil 178 miles from Albany, NY, through some of the most environmentally sensitive areas of New Jersey to the Bay way Refinery in Linden.

**WyckoffGreenTeam.org**

- Chair Wiederhold spoke with Christine Becker at TNT Max and will be getting a formal proposal and will reach out to Diana McLeod, Wyckoff Township CFO.

**Natural Resource Inventory – Update**

- The Commission will possibly engage ANJEC to assist with our Natural Resource Inventory. Commissioner Key will put an outline together and suggests forming a subcommittee. She said that Oakland received a 50/50 split with a grant but this grant is no longer available. Mahwah did their Natural Resource Inventory report in house. Commissioner Key said the WEC needs a document that is useful. The Subcommittee Members are Rob Fortunato, JR Frank, John McCauley and Christine Key. The WEC will look for funding in 2017 from the Township Committee.

**V NEW BUSINESS**

**Shredfest – Update**

- On Saturday, September 24, 2016 the Township Committee and the Environmental Commission conducted another free event that residents could drop off their personal confidential documents that were shredded and then entered the recycling stream.

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There were 284 residents who attended the Shredfest which resulted in approximately 8,000 pounds or four tons of shredded recycled paper.

**2016 Sustainable Jersey application for silver certification**

- Congratulations to all on “Silver Sustainability” recognition and special thanks to Harriet Shugarman and Bob Shannon. Tom Madigan, Harriet Shugarman, Christine Key, Pete Wiederhold, Chris DePhillips and Beth Fischer are planning on attending the awards presentation on Tuesday, November 15, 2016 at the NJ League of Municipalities.

**Junior Member Projects**

- Junior Member Andrew Sander updated the WEC on his new carbon filtrated water fountain and water study. Andrew is working on a comprehensive questionnaire and analysis. Julie Wisniewski updated the WEC on climate change and her study and also presenters of Smithsonian Exhibit speakers.

**VI GREEN TEAM TASK FORCE UPDATES**

- 1. Community** – Commissioner Christine Key & Beth Fischer, Green Team/Green Goddess, Sicomac; Julia Wisniewski, Junior Commissioner
- 2. Building and Energy** – Commissioner Randy Hoogerheyde & Ann Rahikainen, Green Team
- 3. Land Use and Local Business** – Planning Board Liaison Rob Fortunato & JR Frank, Green Team
- 4. Waste Management, Operations & Facilities** – Commissioner John McCauley & John Adams, Green Team
- 5. Media and Press Relations** – Chair Pete Wiederhold, Commissioner Harriet Shugarman & Commissioner Chris DePhillips

- On Saturday, November 12, 2016 there will be a hazardous waste drop off in Moonachie, NJ
- The WEC/Green Team requests a Facebook page similar to nearby towns.
- Commissioner Key suggested that the Team Up to Tidy Up (TUTU) have a recycling contest perhaps with a book mark and pamphlet following township guidelines. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

**VII Planning Board Update** – Robert Fortunato

**VIII Next meeting** – November 21, 2016

**IX Adjournment**

There being no further business a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan McQuaid, Secretary  
Wyckoff Environmental Committee

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