

Hammonton Environmental Commission
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 14, 2018

Call to Order: 7pm

Attended by: M. Matro, A. Donio, D. Bachalis, T. Cafiso,
A. Menzel, E. Baez, A. Murphy
Also present: B. Sacco and K. MacLane

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: February 14, 2018. Motion to approve by
M. Matro/A. Donio.

Motion was made to dispense with regular order of business : T. Cafiso/
M. Matro

Tree Application - Vincent J. Mammucari – 723 7th Street – recently
purchased a wooded lot but needs to take down
approximately 75 trees to build his house, pole barn,
and driveway. He will keep the remainder of the trees
on wooded lot intact and once building is complete he
will replant some when landscaping is being done.
Motion to approve A. Donio/T. Cafiso – all in favor.
Motion carried.

Presentation made – Matt Gerwien of Vegetation Mgmt of Atlantic City
Electric. He presented the board with their extensive
plan of tree pruning and removal at various locations all
over Hammonton where trees or limbs interfere with
power lines. Because of the extensiveness of the plan
there was a motion made by T. Cafiso/E. Baez to allow
Chairman Bachalis to inspect these properties and make
said decision.

Motion to return to regular order of business made by A. Donio/T. Cafiso

Committee Reports:

Town Council – Councilwoman Sacco – Council had 1st reading of an ordinance to impose fees to outside persons or organization and local for profit organizations to hold events at the park. She checked on the noise ordinance and found that we do have one which was established in 2005 but not the equipment to enforce it. Ms. Sacco also check with whether we could charge tree companies when they cut down trees without approval from the Environmental Commission. According to her understanding of the ordinance in place that we could charge.

Property behind Town Hall which is currently a condemned building on Vine Street which was built in 1926 and was the site of the old post office building. It is the facade the Historic Preservation Commission wanted left up and restored (front wall)with rain garden and pavers in back of this wall as an entrance to a parking lot. A motion was made to support said project by A. Menzel/A Murpy.

Planning/Zoning – Commissioner Hozik was absent. No meetings held in March due to inclement weather.

Parks & Recreation – Commissioner Cafiso – Lake clean up postponed from last Saturday to this, March 17th.

Hammonton Lake Water Quality Advisory Committee – Chairman Bachalis – nothing to report.

Bicycle Advisory Committee – Chairman Bachalis – nothing to report.

Greater Egg Harbor River Council – Chairman Bachalis – nothing to report.

Green Committee – Commissioner Menzel – nothing to report.

Tree Applications –

- 1) Anthony DeMaio – 215 Broadway – remove two trees and replace one. A motion was made to approve by A. Menzel/A. Murphy – all in favor – approved.

- 2) Anthony Srgiropoulos – 593 Central Ave. – 1 tree – putting up a pole barn. Motion to approve by T. Cafiso/A. Murphy – all in favor – approved.
- 3) Jorge Lopez/Marcellina – 131 Lincoln St. – 2 dead trees. Motion to approve T. Cafiso/A. Donio – all in favor – approved.
- 4) Kathleen Bertino – 27 Woodman Ave. – 1 tree – falling limbs but stated she will replant in its place. Motion to approve made by M. Matro/T. Cafiso – all in favor – approved.
- 5) Patricia Maimone – 126 Maple St. – 1 tree to be removed, it is hollow. Motion to approve by A. Donio/T. Cafiso – all in favor – approved.
- 6) Frank Esposito – 224 Cottage Ave. – 1 tree to be removed, it is partially dead. Motion to approve made by T. Cafiso/M. Matro, A. Murphy voted no, all others in favor – approved.
- 7) Sam & Tara Perone – 218 Cottage Ave. – 1 tree too close to the house and is leaning over house. Motion to approve made by T. Cafiso/A. Murphy, all in favor – approved.
- 8) Reilly Sheehan – 318 Central Ave. – 2 trees are a danger to person and property. Motion to approve made by T. Cafiso/S. Donio – D. Bachalis & A. Fields voted no – remainder in favor. – approved.
- 9) John Tomasella – 830 s. 2nd Rd. – 2 trees – 1 is lifting the Asphalt in driveway and the other is dead halfway up. Motion to approve was made by A. Donio/M. Matro – D. Bachalis/A. Murphy voted no – approved

In 4-2 vote.

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- 10) Jeff & Roxann Haak – 185 Walmer St. – 4 trees are lifting up driveway and garage floor. They will replace 2. Motion to Approve was made by A. Menzel/A. Donio. All in favor – approved.

New Business:

- 1) Arbor Day – 4/27 getting red bud tublings to distribute to the 4th grade students of both St. Joseph's Elementary and WES at 9am. M. Matro will contact both schools to make sure they have interest in participating in the program.