

WARREN TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

February 16, 2022
ZOOM Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Environmental Commission (EC) of Warren Township, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey convened in a Regular Meeting at the Warren Township Municipal Building, 46 Mountain Blvd., Warren, New Jersey on Wednesday February 16, 2022.

Wayne DeFeo called the meeting to start at 7:07pm via a Zoom meeting Conference.

Pursuant to the requirement of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was given by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board and sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Echoes Sentinel and Courier News as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. All Commissioners are duly appointed volunteers working for the Township of Warren.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Wayne DeFeo, Susan Zeitels, Karen Task, Valerie Meyers, Jerry Toth
Absent: Karen Kaiser, Henry Cohen, Laura Mandell

III. Discussion

Minutes

Jerry Toth joined WEC this meeting and will be an official EC member. Each member introduced themselves to Jerry. Jerry has been a member of the Planning Board since 2005 and is a retired engineer. Jerry Toth gave a brief update on the K Hovnanian project that the planning board is still reviewing. Jerry stated the water run-off of these very large developments is a big concern for the planning board and will continue to be so especially given the most recent storms that hit the area. It was discussed that WEC's recommendations on all major and minor site plan development include storm water run-off recommendations. These recommendations always include Green Infrastructure such as using bioretention/rain gardens, bioswales, downspout planters, cisterns, permeable pavement and drywell systems.

Wayne DeFeo discussed with the group the state and federal funding that is available that the committee has been working on. Susan Zeitels provided more information and summarized for the group. This is in addition to the information Laura Mandell had previously recommended. The final recommendation is attached and will be uploaded to the WEC website. Wayne DeFeo will send to Mark Krane and meet with him in person if necessary.

Jerry Toth discussed with the group the 2022 Township Master Plan. The Masterplan is being revised in 2022 and Jerry will be on the committee. At the March WEC meeting, the EC will discuss the revised Master plan with WEC recommendations.

NEW BUSINESS

1. CASE: BA22-01
BLOCK/LOT Block 78 Lot 18.01
DATE: February 4, 2022
APPLICANT: **II-VI OptoElectronics Devices Inc/141 Mt. Bethel Realty LLC**
Proposal: Use- Outdoor storage of equipment, Parking, Prohibited Trailer

1. WEC has no objections on the concrete pad/wall and defers to the Fire Marshall on hazardous issues.
2. WEC recommends native trees and plants be planted along Mount Bethel Road.

2. CASE: PB19-13A
BLOCK/LOT Block 85.01 Lots1-4
DATE: January 21, 2022
APPLICANT: **Chase Warren Partners, LLC**
Proposal: Lot Line Adjustment, No New Lots
Engineer: Robert Moschello, Gladstone Design, Inc
Attorney: Keith A, Davis, Esq.

1. WEC has no objections or concerns on the lot line adjustment.

IV Adjournment – 8:48PM Valerie Meyers made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Susan Zeitels seconded it.

The next meeting will be held on March 9, 2022 at 7pm via ZOOM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krisann Bintley, Secretary
Environmental Commission