

WARREN TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

April 12, 2023
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, April 12, 2023

Wayne DeFeo called the meeting to start at 7:05pm via 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, Laura Mandell, Karen Kaiser, Jerry Toth, Valerie Meyers, Shaun Fine

Absent: Karen Task

III. Discussion The March 8, 2023 minutes were reviewed Karen Kaiser made a motion to approve and Susan Zeitels seconded it. All WEC members were in agreement.

Jerry Toth gave an update on Planning Board case PB 23-01 Silver Leaf Court/ Brookside Drive. It was discussed at the Planning Board meeting that the builder of the home was going to assist the home owner with planting mature trees to help with the water run-off. Property is not going to be clear cut and storm water basins are also going to be utilized to assist with the water run-off.

IV: NEW BUSINESS

1. CASE: PB23-02
BLOCK/LOT Block 202 Lot 19 & Block 202 Lot 4 - 19 Valley View and 68 Mountain Ave
DATE: February 22, 2023
APPLICANT: **Ana Santos**
Proposal: Minor Sub-division (moving lot line)
ENGINEER: Guariello & Dec Associates, LLC
ATTORNEY: Noemio A. Vellozzi

1. WEC is not opposed to granting this approval.

2. CASE: PB23-03
BLOCK/LOT Block 89 Lot 1.01 4 Mount Bethel Road/Mountain Blvd
DATE: March 21, 2023
APPLICANT: **Warren Village Associates**
Proposal: Preliminary Site Plan with Variance for Parking
ENGINEER: Cathy Mueller, P.E.
ATTORNEY: Donald Whitelaw

1. WEC recommends at least two (2) Electric Vehicle charging stations be added to the plan.
2. WEC recommends replacing all dead trees with native trees. (See Attached List)

3. CASE: PB23-04
BLOCK/LOT Block 65 Lot 9 74 Morning Glory Road (part in Green Brook)
DATE: March 22, 2023
APPLICANT: **Rocco Paternostro**
Proposal: One Lot into Two
ENGINEER: Page-Mueller Engineering Consultants
ATTORNEY: Lawrence J. Fox

1. WEC recommends native trees and plants (See Attached List) for tree replacement plan.
2. WEC recommends using Green Building standards when house is built (See Attached)

V: DISCUSSION

Wayne DeFeo updated the group on county personnel walking the trails with Wayne and any WEC members. The date will be April 24, 2023 at 10am. The two (2) EV charging stations are currently working at Town Hall. One was not working for a few months but has been fixed and working since the beginning of 2023. Wayne discussed the township purchasing electric vehicles as part of the town fleet and Mark Krane and Doug Burro are looking into that for later in 2023 and/or 2024. Jerry Toth updated the group that the planning board is required to go through updated storm water practices via on-line classes. Jerry will ask Maryellen Vautin to share the link to that.

VI: Adjournment – 8:25PM Laura Mandell made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jerry Toth seconded it.

The next meeting will be held on May 10, 2023 at 7pm via ZOOM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krisann Bintley, Secretary
Environmental Commission