

2019 ANNUAL REPORT

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

BOROUGH OF LINDENWOLD, NJ

Lindenwold Borough Environmental Commission

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Mission Statement

The Lindenwold Environmental Commission (LEC) was established to promote the public interest in natural resource protection, sustainable development, and reclamation and to support the environmental commission and open space committee through work with citizens and other non-profit organizations. Some of the powers and duties of the LEC are to: gather information; offer advice to other agencies; provide recommendations to the Joint Land Use Board and/or Mayor and Council members on the development and use of land within the municipality. The LEC members are dedicated to addressing the environmental concerns of the Borough and to protect the environment for future generations.

Schedule and Location

2nd Tuesday Each Month
6:00 pm
Borough Hall
15 North White Horse Pike
Lindenwold, NJ

2019 Meetings

01-08-2019
06-11-2019
09-10-2019
12-10-2019;
Cancelled:
02-2019,
03-2019,
04-2019,
05-2019,
07-2019;
08-2019;
10-2019;
11-2019

Credit Summary and Members

In 2019, the LEC worked toward promoting the Second Five Year Community Forestry Plan, research and provide communication regarding available grants to promote stewardship within the community, assist with improvements to open spaces, participated in community events, and assessed provisions to include sustainable efforts to improve the well-being of Borough citizens and the environment. Review and comment on Joint Land Use Application.

The LEC reorganized on January 8, 2019. LEC meetings are appropriately noticed with meeting agenda and minutes posted to the Borough's at <https://www.lindenwoldnj.gov/node/133/agenda>. Public are welcome to attend meeting and provide comments to the LEC. Commission members included Councilman Joe DiDomenico, Beth Suckiel, Al Tine, John Kennedy, Nancy Lutz, Councilwoman Linda Hess, and Les Engels. Engineer – Douglas White, PE, PP, CFP, T&M Associates.

Actions and Meeting Highlights

January 2019 - Annual reorganization; preparation of Annual Community Forestry Report; Creation of Green Team (Sustainable NJ); Review and commented on Joint Land Use Board application JLUB-19-2 – Lighthouse Deliverance Church;

Actions and Meeting Highlights (Continued)

June 2019 – Confirmed submission of Community Forestry Management Plan; consideration/planted trees in various areas of the Borough; begin planning National Night Out with green exhibits; discussed Sustainable NJ process for applicability; review Memorial Park improvement to benefit community; obtain member volunteers to participate in Community Forestry Management Plan continuing education credit; consider and review options for dog park;

September 2019 – discussion regarding qualifying actions and participation in Sustainable NJ program; reviewed applicable grants available; members to participate/attend meetings/workshops for CEU credits associated with Community Forestry Management Plan; report on LEC contributions to National Night Out; reviewed KMA Engineers Public Notice associated with freshwater wetland permitting/no comments;

December 2019 – discussion regarding qualifying actions and participation in Sustainable NJ program; remind secretary to prepare and offer resolution for continuation of Green Team; requested extension of Second Five Year Community Forestry Management Plan.

Goals/Considerations for 2020

- Complete Annual Community Forestry Management Plan and Reporting; consider phasing plan to perform community tree survey
- Consider/apply for Sustainable NJ Program actions;
- Consider need to update Environmental Resource Inventory;
- Prepare for/attend public outreach functions;
- Review grant options to benefit community.

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