

**TOWNSHIP OF MEDFORD  
ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
(EAAC) MEETING MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023– 7:00 pm**  
**MEDFORD TOWN HALL, 49 UNION STREET**

- I. *Roll Call*** (Meeting called to order at 7:08 pm)  
**Present:** Pola Galie, Bob Lee, Deb Evans, Sandy Krueger, Pamela Sloves, Ileen Wright, Councilman Erik Rebstock, Beth Portocalis-Twp. Liaison  
**Absent:** Bo Petrillo, Paul Celia, Alice Levas  
**Guest:** Brian Pelloni
- II. *Review/approve minutes of October 2023 Meeting*** (no meeting in November)
- The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. I. Wright moved to accept and B. Lee 2nd. D. Evans abstained and all others were in favor.
- III. *Public Comments***  
Councilman Rebstock thanked the Committee members for their service and gifted members with a wooden representation of the Township Building/Library.
- IV. *Old Business***
- Community Informational/Education Date & Program – (date pushed to March 2024--topics are composting, ATV impacts, Pinelands authors, “Leave the Leaves”  
This will be planned by the Green Team Auxiliary. The dates of either 3/12/24 or 4/9/24 were discussed.
  - Sustainable NJ Certification - next cycle due in 2025
  - Green Team – Friends of the Green Team Meetings  
Will look into tabling at events as well as our Earth Day event and tree give away, and also the County Earth Fair in June. They will also look for Champions for projects.
  - Grant Applications/Projects
    - 1) Sustainable Jersey AC Electric Grant - We received a grant for \$5,000 and will be applying for another grant by 2/9/24.
    - 2) Tree Grant from the Burlington County Bridge Comm.  
We received a total of ten trees that were planted in Tomlinson Park by a professional landscaper.

- Trex Bench project - The township will help with the installation of the benches. We should be receiving another bench any time now. That brings the total to 6 and the plan is to keep going. Two benches at Dr. Still Park, two at Cow Pointe, and two in Freedom Barks.
- Wildlife Tree for the holidays  
Cub Scout Pack 26, under Troop Leader Brian Pelloni, did a great job with the Wildlife Tree that was purchased by the Twp. and installed in Tomlinson Park by the pergola. Photos were shared and Beth will post on the website.

Monitor:

- Pedestrian & cycling related assistance and Twp. grants  
(Coordination with DVRPC, Cross County Connection, NJDOT & Burlington County)
- Community Composting Project
- Bike Rodeo in coordination with Police Dept.
- Open Space Acquisition- Church & Hartford Road parcel  
There is discussion for wetland delineation of this parcel. It is ongoing.
- ROSI – Complete Review and Recommendation
- NJ Future – Technical Assistance for FEMA Community Rating System/Flood Resiliency & Mitigation
- Green Product Education – Discussion/Continued promotions
- Wildlife Plan for next round of Sustainable Jersey certification
- Utility Line Tree Cutting

**V. *New Business* –**

- The group shared their appreciation for the years of service and support that Bob Lee has provided to the Committee and the township, and wished him well as he retires to Florida.
- PSE&G Grant will be applied for by 2/9/24.
- The annual Earth Day/Townwide Yard Sale/Tree Giveaway tentative date is Sat., April 20<sup>th</sup>.
- I. Wright is interested in having a movie about plastics that she is aware of from South Jersey Green Faith Circle shared at a future meeting.

**VI. *Planning & Zoning Considerations***

- Review of Application Plans submitted to Planning & Zoning Office

**VII. *Next meeting* –**

**VIII.** Re-Org: Tuesday, January 9, 2024 @ 7:00 pm

**VIII. *Adjournment***

- There being no further business to come before the committee, D. Evans moved and B. Lee 2nd, all in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Pola Galie