



August 14, 2018

Meeting No: 2018-08

MANTOLOKING ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Attendance:

MEC Member	
Claudia, Larsen, Chairwoman	Yes
Doreen Duggan, MYC representative	Yes
Denise Boughton, Planning Board Liaison	No
Lynn O'Mealia, Borough Council Liaison	Yes
Jan O'Malley	Yes
Connie Pilling	Yes
Barbara Turro	Yes
John Wesson	Yes

The meeting was called to order at the Mantoloking Yacht Club (MYC) Sailing Center at 4:31 PM.

New Business:

- Welcome to Barbara Turro as new MEC member.

Old Business:

Meeting Minutes

- Lynn O'Mealia moved a motion to approve the July 2018 meeting minutes as distributed via email on July 16, 2018. Barbara Turro seconded and all approved.

Status of current MEC Projects:

Impact of Beach Replenishment (Claudia)

- The beach is very clean and most of the pebbles by the water are now sand.
- Claudia may check with Scott Hulse to see how much debris is being removed.
- Bob Mainberger will write a letter about the current size of the beach and how it was designed to naturally move sand into the project area.
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Environmental Resource Inventory (ERI) (Jan)

- Jan reported that she has begun drafting the history section of the document.
- Others are welcome to contribute to any section.



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Communication (Denise)

- Denise was absent and may not have time to continue as an active member of MEC, but is still working to set up a Facebook account.

The Protection and Health of the Barnegat Bay (Connie and Barbara)

- Barbara will contact Granceanne Taylor of Save Barnegat Bay to visit their new Eco Center, 117 Haines Rd., Toms River, NJ 08753 ph. 732 830-3600.
- Jan will pursue a presentation about Offshore wind mills by NOAA.

The Protection and Health of the Ocean and Beach (Claudia)

Review of all Beach Access Points

- The plan is to review vegetation of all beach access points and take photos of each in preparation for Spring 2019 plantings.
- Claudia also plans to create a list of native plants and local nurseries within NJ with estimated pricing. She has already done some research on this.
- There is a Clean Communities grant that can be used for this purpose. Jersey Yards may also be able to provide a grant.

The Protection and Health of the Land (John)

- John now has everything ready to go to the Borough including the pictures. He will probably do this this week.

The Fight Against Pollution (All)

- Plastic Pollution
 - Claudia said Point Pleasant has a film called Plastic Ocean that is 100 minutes long. It is somewhat gruesome, but they will loan it to us to view.
 - Claudia will talk to Denise Boughton about the possibility of distributing small cloth bags to use in place of plastic bags. Is there a grant we can get to fund this?

- MYC Environmental Opportunities

Aluminum Water Bottles:

- We have sold about 130 bottles out of 150. We had 2 decorating parties for the kids to personalize their bottles. Melissa Evans continues to sell them through the Mantoloking Yacht Club (MYC) newsletter.
- The mothers and some other women have voiced their support in not buying plastic disposal water bottles anymore. One woman purchased 10 bottles to leave in the guest rooms for her friends and family to use. She has stopped purchasing plastic water bottles.



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- The article in the Ocean Star was very positive in highlighting our partnership with MYC.
- Doreen suggested that the water bottles should be handed out at the beginning of the season, but they would need a clip on it.

Recycle Coach App

- Claudia sat next to the check in at two MYC Friday Night Dinners (FND) and was successful in getting many people to sign up for the app. This will be repeated at an August FND and it will be posted in the newsletter for people to bring their phones and we will add the app for them. Hopefully we can get some kids to help.
- Claudia will ask MYC to announce the Recycle App in its newsletter.

MEC Newsletter

- The 2Q2018 Newsletter was posted to the Borough web site and announced via Blogtrottr.

Measurable Policy Contributions (Lynn)

- Accomplishments thus far this year include:

Action/Date	Accomplishment
Approved 2/13/18	Statement from the MEC in Opposition of Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program
Passed 2/13/18	Resolution from the Council in Opposition of Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program
Attended 3/24/18	ANJEC Fundamentals for Effective Environmental Commission Training
Attended 4/12/18	Claudia Larsen attended Lecture by Dr. Louise Wootton, of the Department of Biology, Georgian Court University on Low Impact Design Strategies for storm water management.
Co-organized 6/8/18	With the NJDEP's Allison McLeod and Claudia Larsen, MEC, MDPW, the Barnegat Bay Blitz had 22 volunteers that cleaned the bay access points at Albertson, Princeton, Arnold, Bergen N and S, and Lagoon. We did a beach sweep from Albertson to north of Downer. This was the largest turnout in the 3 years we participated.
Announced 6/13/18	Launched Recycle Coach App for all Mantoloking residents to use to recycle better, smarter.
6/20 and 6/27/18	MYC/MEC Aluminum Water Bottles sales and decorating party for kids to stop the use of plastic water bottles.



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7/18/2018	Jan and Claudia attended the Save Barnegat Bay Annual Meeting and heard a lecture about Clinging Jellyfish.
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Calendar of Events:

Thursday, October 11, 2018

The Seaweeders of Bay Head and Mantoloking host "Tick awareness Presentation" by Susan Servidino' Coordinator Ocean County Master Gardeners. Open to all members, master gardeners, and the public.
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Sacred Heart Church Hall in Bay Head.

Jersey-Friendly Yards Conference

"Inspiration for Your Jersey-Friendly Yard"

Saturday, October 20 (8:15am-3:00pm)

Registration is now open for the 2nd annual Jersey-Friendly Yards Conference on October 20, 8:15 am-3:00 pm at Ocean County College, Gateway Building, Toms River. Enjoy a series of morning workshops followed by our afternoon Keynote Speaker, Kathy Salisbury. Cost is \$35 and includes all conference activities, morning refreshments and lunch. Our native plant sale offers opportunities for fall planting. More information available on the JerseyYards.org website! For questions email Karen Walzer kwalzer@ocean.edu or call (732) 255-0472 ext. 2.

Jan moved a motion to close the meeting. Lynn seconded; all were in favor. The meeting ended at 5:10 PM.