

Environmental Commission of Atlantic Highlands (AHEC)

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 18, 2018 - 7:30 PM

Attendees:

James Krauss, Chair (JK), France Karras (FK), Jane Austin (JA), Wanda Kelly (WK), Paula Woods (PW), Ed Cetron (EJC), Jon Crowley (JC)

Members of the public - Mark Fisher, 91 Third Avenue, Catherine Early, 28 Belvedere, Michael Wallach, 14 Bayside Drive, Janey Barry & Marc Reeves, 33 Bayside Drive, Paul Barbato, 22 Lawrie Road

Minutes

August 2018 minutes were reviewed and approved. PW and EC abstained

Reports

Waterfront Steward - PW reported on water test results. The Harbor and the Catamaran Club tested acceptable for swimming. Many Mind and Wagner Creeks were unacceptable. JK agreed to report the results to the Borough Council.

Monmouth County Environmental Council - FK has been selected as the County representative on the NWS Earle Joint Land Use Study General Advisory Committee.

Hudson Springs and Hilton Station

Catherine Early, Michael Wallach, Janey Barry and Marc Reeves expressed continued concerns about the condition of these two locations. They have not yet received the release form from the Borough Administrator to allow volunteers to organize a clean-up. JC suggested that they make a list of what was needed to maintain and improve the two sites.

Harbor Grounds Reconfiguration

JK reported on the discussion at the Harbor Commission meeting. The Harbor commissioners raised a number of objections to JC's proposal.

Proposed Ordinance

JC reported on initial discussions regarding plastic bags, straws and stirrers.

Planning Board (PB)

EC reported on the status of the 7-11 approval and the 25 Bayside Drive and McConnell Tract applications.

Master Plan Draft - Draft continues to be delayed due to affordable housing issue

Meeting Adjourned.