Agenda for the Environmental Commission 7:00 PM March 18th, 2019, Brian Boden, Acting Chair

1a) Approval of the Minutes from our February Meeting – All Present
1b) Mary provided the EC Minutes for the December meeting.

2) Diana Orban Brown will discuss a draft letter proposal from the EC in support of the Township Green Acres Grant application for the Historic Park at Pitney Farms.

3) The EC has formed a grant-writing group to submit a proposal to ANJEC for maintenance of our Open spaces. – Brian & Sue

4) Plantings for the Seeing Eye property. Cost – John

5) Assessments of pedestrian easements prioritize progress – Morse & Sue

6) Educational program on composting for Township, progress with Parks and Recreation – Pamela

7) Planning Board Projects, – Janet

8) FYI: Raritan Headwaters Association State of the Watershed indicates local rivers tested 16% of sites tested as excellent, 56% as good, 25% as fair and 3% as poor, overall a C rating.

9) Mendham Township will have a Raritan River Clean up on April 13th covering Roxiticus Road and the Schiff property. If you are interested sign up at the Raritan River Headwaters web site (https://www.raritanheadwaters.org/stream-cleanup/) - All

Follow Ups

1) The EC follow up on a plaque for the Township to recognize Ralph Rhodes for his years of valuable service to Mendham Township EC - Brian

2) Trail Stewards Program Updates - Brian
3) Open Space & Scout funding Requests – Brian, Sue

4) Scout’s projects updates - Brian

5) Mike Van Clef, Mosle Program

6) FYI: Parks and Recreation, has a new director David Guida

7) High school members’ program and activities

8) Nitrate testing progress - Janet

9) Great Swamp Watershed Association updates - ?

EC Notifications:

At 4 Ballantine Road, a waiver request to increase the septic field by 50% - Brian

Future Issues & Events:


2) ANJEC 2019 Fundamentals for Effective Environmental Commissions – Training (recommended for all new members who have not taken it): (http://www.anjec.org/ConfWorkshops.htm)

March 2nd, March 9th, March 16th

3) NJ Invasive Species Strike Team Report, March 27th, at conference at Duke Farms, Hillsborough NJ, Note: $100.

4) Raritan Watershed, Climate Resilient Municipalities: Controlling Storm water, protecting Streams & Maintaining Water Quality May 16th., 2-4 pm, Basking Ridge. Check Raritan River web site for details and Location: