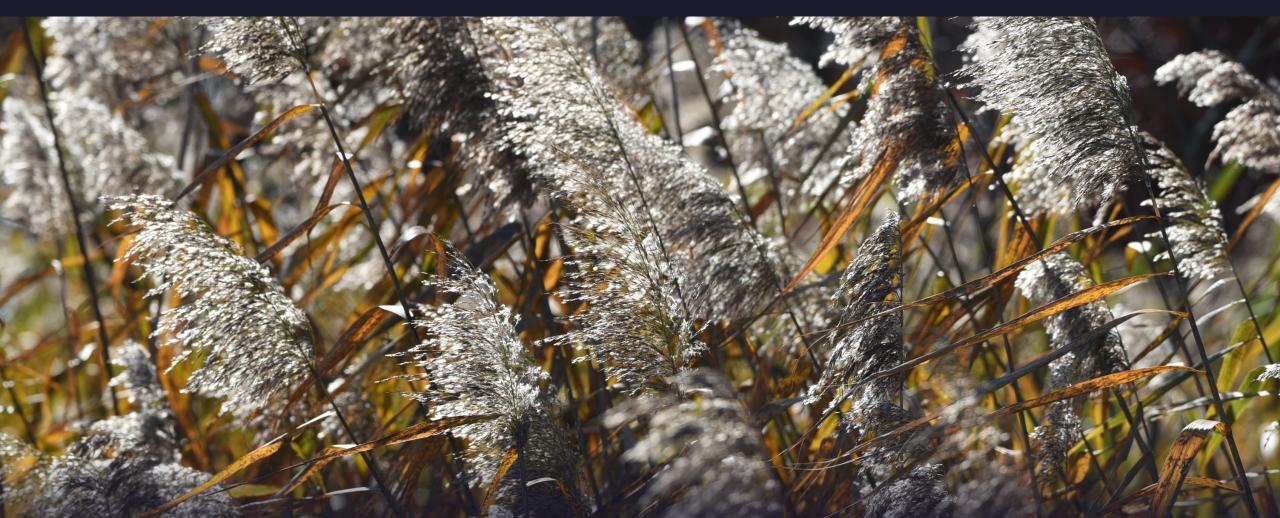
MENDHAM TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION Presented by Martin Slayne, Chair

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EC Charter 2020

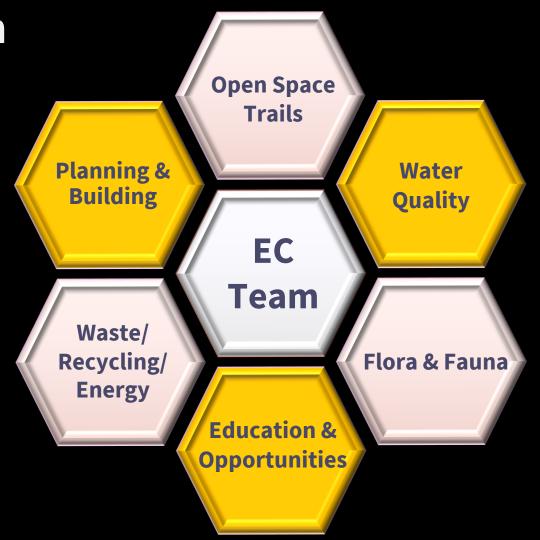
The Mendham Township Environmental Commission provides support and drives projects for Mendham Township and the Mendham Township Committee, on environmental matters of community impact, sustainability and information sharing.

Main areas of work include open space, trails and maintenance, building and planning impact assessment, water quality and management, waste and recycling, advisory and educational information on local flora and fauna, and other issues to promote the sustainability of our local environment.

Mendham Township Environmental Commission

Structured Progress 2021





2020 Highlights

PRIORITIES	ACHIEVEMENTS	RESOURCE/ PARTNER
Open Space & Trails (high use)	 Open Space & Trails Review - Signage & Maintenance Report, 3-year plan 6 trail head/ reserve signs produced Walking Easement evaluation – 2021 plan Report: DPW Service & Project Support Needs - for access and safety Buttermilk Falls/ India Brook – support on misuse of site, thro' Summer Voluntary clean-ups, trail-clearing, blazing, projects (limited/ Covid) 	DPW, Mendham Borough collaboration on Trail Stewardship + Student project DPW, submitted to TC MT Team Ad hoc scout and volunteer support
Planning & Building	 Reviewed ground water/ nitrate report, Princeton Hydro; updated MT building-use maps; conserved buildings, easements Pitney Park working group representation Ad hoc notifications and questions from residents/ Env. Impact 	Supported Masterplan Sub-committee
Water Quality	 Well-water testing, Nov 14 – advertised, handed out/ received test kits - micro, chem, phys checks on quality and safety Ground water/ nitrate dilution and historical studies review 	Raritan Headwaters
Waste/ Recycling/ Energy	 Styrofoam recycling event, Jan 11 - recycled instead of landfill RTS Recycling webinar, July 14 	Borough host + Foam Pack Industries MT Library host
Flora & Fauna	 'Birding in Mendham' education Webinar, July 16 Spotted Lantern Fly pest advisories – awareness/ actions 	NJ Audubon Raritan Headwaters
Other initiatives	 Current on State initiatives – stormwater ordinance, plastics, climate Meadowood Guided Hike, September 20 1st Annual Fall Photography Competition launched – approx. 200 entries Community Garden support 	ANJEC Partnership Recreation Comm. host Mendham Neighbors, MT Library Student Project

Thanks to EC Team 2020

Members:

Richard Cotter (Chair until June) Martin Slayne (Chair from June) Kylie Bailin (joined November) Brian Boden (departed Dec) Mary Calabro Janet DeMeo John Mallon Sue Schmerler Martin Slayne Heather Tokarz Morse Wilkenfeld

• Township Committee Representative: Amalia Duarte

Student members:

Lauren Shrem (2019-2020 school year) Ethan Posner (2019-2021 school years) Matthew Borinshteyn (2020-2021 school year)

Support - MT Clerk:
 Maria Coppinger

2021 EC Goals

PRIORITIES	GOALS	RESOURCE	TIMING
Open Space & Trails	 New Signage installation (5 + 5), Kiosks (4), Trail Maps Walking Easements – communicate, clear 5 Buck Hill – prepare & open as wildlife area Voluntary trail work, clean-ups 	DPW availabilities; Eagle scouts DPW DPW, NJ Audubon advice Volunteers	Spring/ summer
Planning & Building	 Clarify science on ground water, nitrate reports EC advice for New Developments (St John's) Conservation zone info for home-sales 	Princeton Hydro, Masterplan sub- committee, Planning Board Township Admin.	Spring Ad hoc
Water Quality	Spring stream clean-upWell-water testing	Raritan Headwaters Raritan Headwaters	April 17 November TBD
Waste/ Recycling/ Energy	 Styrofoam recycling events Recycling webinar Clean energy, solar power education New Environmental Project development 	Borough, DPW Morris Municipal Utilities Authority Energy providers, webinar Tonnage grant	January 9, June TBD February 11 Summer Ongoing
Flora & Fauna	 Native/ invasive plant education, webinar Native Planting: Tempe Wick Reserve; Community Garden Birdlife education: 'World Series of Birding' event Investigate wildlife and butterfly certification schemes 	NJ Plant Expert (Deb Ellis), MT Library Expert Guidance TBD Student project NJ Audubon NWF, NABA	April 7 May 8 Spring/Summer
Other Initiatives	 Communicating EC issues - web, soc. media Keep current on State initiatives Fall Photography Exhibition 2020 + Competition 2021 Ad hoc misc. support and guidance for the community 	MT web; Instagram Student project ANJEC Partnership Mendham Neighbors, MT Library, Print Sponsor	Spring Ongoing April, October

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RESOURCE 2021

Key Partnerships & Collaborators:

- Township Office
 Budget/ Admin support
- **DPW**Open space, trails, easements, maintenance
- ANJEC
 State actions, ordinances, education and training
- Raritan Headwaters
 Water quality, environmental impact issues
- Morris County/ Municipal Utilities Authority
 Recycling

TC Committees

Planning Board, Recreation, Tree Protection, Historic Preservation, Wildlife...

- MT Library
 Informative events and entertainment
- NJ Audubon
 Birdlife education & awareness
- Ad Hoc Experts
 Recycling, Native Plants, Wildlife, Butterflies
 Solar/ Clean Energy... webinars
- Mendham Borough Partners
- Volunteers!