

**Shade Tree/Environmental Commission
Beachwood Municipal Complex
1600 Pinewald Road**

**July 18, 2022 – Minutes
7:00 PM**

Call to Order and Flag Salute were led by Chairman Schmidt.

Opening Statement: Ladies and Gentlemen, pursuant to the applicable portions of the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been given. The schedule of this meeting of the Environmental/Shade Tree Commission of the Borough of Beachwood is listed in the notice of meetings posted on the Bulletin Board located in the Municipal Complex Building and delivered to the Asbury Park Press on January 7, 2022.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Maria Bird, Ellen Harrigan, Theresa Nielsen, Carl Schmidt

ALSO PRESENT: Councilman Zakar, Patricia Zakar, Colleen Oropeza, Ann & Eric Cicerello

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

MEMBERS ABSENT:

RESOLUTION #2022-11 Approval of June 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Ms. Bird

Second: Ms. Harrigan

Approve: All

Oppose:

Abstain:

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Community Garden

Mr. Schmidt reported that 5 lots are paid for and in use. Water source closest to the front gate is not working and he has emailed Public Works. All lot users are reminded to maintain the area around their lot. Ms. Harrigan reported that she has planted wildflowers that are starting to sprout. Mr. Schmidt brought a picture of the bench he is seeking. Ms. Nielsen reported that she has a Eagle Scout candidate that is interested in doing a project. She will reach out to the Scoutmaster and see if he would like to do this.

2. Environmental Facebook Page

Ms. Oropeza provided a report that is generated from Facebook that provides the number of hits the page gets by caption. The highest number of hits was 244 for the updated profile picture. She would like to do a feature on "Meet the Commission". Each member is to write a short biography about themselves and provide a picture to post. Members thanked Colleen for all her hard work in getting the page up and running; and maintaing.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2023 Municipal Calendar

Mr. Schmidt provided the 2023 meeting calendar for review and for input. Members reviewed and no further changes required.

2. Fountain

Mr. Schmidt reported that the fountain has been vandalized several times. He just wanted us to know so that if we see that it is not running that is probably why. It has been repaired and Public Works is working on a solution so that it doesn't happen again.

3. Fundraiser Clean Up Event sponsored by Save Barnegat Bay

Mr. Schmidt reported that he received an email from the Mayor regarding this event on August 28th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. The plan is to clean up Railroad Avenue Trail. They are looking for us to co-host. Ms. Oropeza volunteered to get more information and assist with coordination.

OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:54 PM

Motion:	Ms. Nielsen	Second:	Ms. Harrigan
Approve:	All	Oppose:	
Abstain:			

CLOSE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AT 7:55 PM

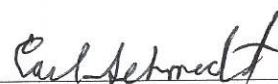
Motion:	Ms. Harrigan	Second:	Ms. Bird
Approve:	All	Oppose:	
Abstain:			

ADJOURNED AT 7:56 PM

Motion:	Ms. Nielsen	Second:	Ms. Harrigan
Approve:	All	Oppose:	
Abstain:			

Prepared by: Theresa Nielsen


Theresa Nielsen, Secretary

Attested by: 
Carl Schmidt, Chairman