

Seaside Park Environmental Committee
Minutes of Regular Meeting April 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Denise Koury at 7:30 pm in Council Chambers, 6th & Central Aves.

1. Call to Order
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call by Ann Hayes - In Attendance:

Ann Hayes

Denise Koury

Maureen O'Haire

Lynda Roberts

Mike Tierney

Margaret Husar - excused

Edith Klink - excused

Greg Penn - excused

Sherry Villano - excused

Review and Approval of the Minutes 3/9/16 Meeting, MMB Maureen / Linda 2nd with correction made by Mike Tierney on grant amount.

Committee Reports:

Council Update :

1. Mike Tierney- budget requested for 2016 approved
2. \$1.3 million hazard mitigation grant from state: status is phase one of approval process which takes 90 days. Bay Front Bulkhead will be 7' above sea level, but mostly underground. 15" - 24" will be above ground.
3. Motion passed by council to affirm April 22, 2016 is celebrated as Earth Day in SSP.

Business:

Correspondence from Karen:

1. Shared photo of signage used at Epcot butterfly garden for education
2. Annual report from Barnegat Bay Partnership sent to town, also available online at bbp.ocean.edu
3. REClam the Bay notable success, no longer located in SSP
4. Karen will email Denise relevant events, Denise Koury will forward to the group
5. EC will email Denise any events we want posted under EC link on SSP web site

Butterfly Garden:

1. Liaison from Beautification Committee, Sue Masoorli, present at meeting to discuss new plants needed, schedule for planting, etc.
 2. Review of Maggi's submission outline for possible signage.
 3. Ann Hayes, Sue Masoorli and Maureen O'Haire met at garden to discuss updates: plants look good, some still dormant. Erik to deliver dirt and mulch for spring replanting.
 4. Suggestions of native plants from Pine Lands Preservation sale:
False Sunflower
Red Chokeberry
Purple Coneflower (to replace any hybrids)
- Annuals:
- Bronze Fennel
Cosmos
Lantana
Zinnias
5. Pine Lands Preservation will have sale of Native grown plants for sale April 22. Maureen will get PO to use for that day to purchase plants maximum \$200. MMB Maureen /LR 2nd Linda Roberts.
 6. Sue explained the use of butterfly "puddles" made with sand, salt and beer to provide minerals in the garden. Volunteered to make some for garden.
 7. Brochure to include info on plants in garden, value of native plants, Monarch and Swallowtail habitat and life cycle, photos, history of garden. Use 2015 brochure for info, Ann Hayes to produce.
 8. Butterfly release - Maureen to coordinate for June 5th, Fish Hat Parade day. Head of PTA requested release of butterfly's again for 2016. Maureen to draft letter for parents permission to participate and find out if any kids have kits for reuse. Release will be immediately before parade. Discussion if program will be open to residents as well. To be limited to 25 students through PTA and 25 residents, FCFS. Info will be placed on Boro web site banner.
 9. Maureen will contact company for 2016 prices and deadlines.
 10. Signs - on hold for full members present
 11. Sandy Seedlings - Sue suggested we look into State of NJ programs giving communities free trees. Ann to research and report (program deadline was March)

Speaker Series :

Star Gazing update: Ann Hayes contacted ASTRA group and IBSP. Dates confirmed of July 23 for event and July 30 for rain date.

1. Review of last year's procedures of program:

\$350 fee to use IBSP for personnel cost

2 people at gate for first hour

8:30 - 11:30 pm South end of 2nd Parking Lot

Maureen to get glow necklaces

No need for table or clean up

Park needs to turn off overhead lights in parking lot

Print 100 numbered tickets / Sherry Villano/ Members of EC to distribute

No liquor

Info on Boro web site

Sue to Ann for flyer from 2015

Will be announced at Neighborhood Watch

Storm Water Management : look into a possible presentation.

1. Video mandated for town officials. Possible idea for brochure? Include current zoning regulations, info about paving. New regulations from state pending.

Summer program on hold for review by full EC

Bay Front

1. April 18, landscaping at pumps starting in SSH. DOT funding landscaping along bay. Council Meeting on April 14, 8pm may include more information.

Adjourn: MMB LR / 2nd AH

Next Meeting: May 11, 2016 7:30