

Seaside Park Environmental Committee
Minutes of May 10, 2017 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Ann Hayes at 7 pm in Council Chambers, 6th & Central Aves.

1. Call to Order 7:00 pm
2. Flag Salute
3. Roll Call – Maureen O’Haire

Ann Hayes
Denise Koury
Edie Klink
Maureen O’Haire
Lynda Roberts
Sherry Villano
Greg Penn
Ray Amabile
Jane Mason

4. Minutes of the April 12 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve DK; second EK.

Business:

5. Butterfly Garden

Educational sign:

The new sign is in place at the garden. Great job, Ann!

Butterfly Garden Release

Sunday, June 4th, 11 am is our Butterfly Release date

(This is an hour before the town’s Fish Hat Parade.)

- Councilman Amabile will open the event, Ann will speak on garden plants and Monarchs
- Maureen will work on a program (For the committee members only.)
- Laurie Sullivan will sing “America the Beautiful” Musical accompaniment - TBD
- Coloring books donated by Master Gardener Program via Sue M. will be distributed.
- Tote bags, post cards, brochures and magnets will be given out.
- Ann and Denise will bring tables
- Maureen has the Environmental tablecloth & Edie has a green tablecloth
- Ann will have 200 copies of the Butterfly brochure printed. We will give some to Sherry and Laurie for distribution at their Realtor businesses as advertisement for the garden.
- Ann will forward info for the event to go on Boro Website and calendar
- Maureen will contact Chief Larkin and Abby Yedman regarding a Social Reverse 911 call
- Ray will discuss the event at the Council Meeting on Thurs., May 11

- Maureen will contact Eric, DPW, for a podium.

Butterfly Magnet Contest –

- The committee voted on the winning entry. There were four entries.
To advertise the event, a picture of the 4 entries will be created for display at Boro Hall and on the website.
- Jane will create a certificate of participation for the 4 entrants.
- Denise will talk to Sandy about ordering without a purchase order Price: \$115 - \$140
- We will order 100 magnets; size: 4 inches, butterfly die cut
- Ann will make template and add info to the bottom of the magnet

14th Ave. entrance sign

PDF of sign sent to Eric at DPW for quote (picture attached).
\$75 cost estimate for 1 sign
Committee approved and Ann will proceed with this project.

Marina Town Events sign for Butterfly Garden

Greg will follow up

5. DPW Garden on Barnegat Ave.

- Garden pruned and cleared by Denise, Edie, Ann with two volunteers
- New native plants purchased and planted
- Sign markers from previous purchase were installed
- Ann will send info to be added to the Boro website
- The committee approved an order for additional plant markers for both gardens
AH will get the PO, approx. \$125.
- Sherry will donate a brochure box that will be placed at the Barnegat Garden with information on native plants. Thanks, Sherry. Concern: brochures being thrown away, littering the streets.

New Business:

- Budget review: \$1250 estimate remaining
- Planting/Watering
Vinca and Lantana will be planted on Tuesday, May 16 at the Butterfly Garden. Anyone available to plant would be appreciated.
One new Drift Rose plant is needed. MO'H will get a PO for Home Depot.
AH will be responsible for the DPW garden this year.
The EC is responsible for watering the barrels at the 14th Ave Pier and weeding the garden. The garden has a sprinkler system. Each member should volunteer 3 weeks.
Edie signed up for July 2nd, Aug. 6th, Sept 3rd.
- Beach Badges Ray Amabile suggested that we run a contest for the 2018 Beach Badge designs.
RA's email address: rayseaside199@gmail.com RA will discuss proposal with Bob Martucci, Town Administrator.
- Ocean Bracelets Jane suggested we look into plastic beaded bracelets to support clean beaches.
She will follow up.
- EC Website Our website is not updated. It does not have our 2017 Goals and there is a misspelling, partners. AH will follow up.

- Fall Speaker Denise will look into a speaker from the American Littoral Society for September.
- Stargazing AH will forward info on our last Stargazing project to JM. Jane will follow up on a Stargazing night in the fall.
- NJ Environmental Committees Greg reported there are 60 – 70 EC in the state. There is a \$300 yearly fee to become a member. Since we are an Advisory Committee, not a commission, we don't know if we are eligible to join. GP will research.
- Bayfront Flooding Sherry reported the meeting about the Bayfront flooding with Bob, our town administrator, was cancelled. She will request another meeting asking that Pam Hella, our town engineer, be present. SV suggested that the town needs to be more aggressive with the State and County and that a meeting with residents be organized. Cleaning the storm drains and trimming the trees along the Bayfront are additional ideas to stop the flooding.

Adjourn 8:20 pm Motion to adjourn DK; second JM.

Next meeting: June 14th 7pm Council Chambers