MINUTES OF THE MENDHAM BOROUGH ECOSST REGULAR MEETING Tuesday September 3, 2024 Garabrant Center, 4 Wilson Street, Mendham, NJ

CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

The Regular meeting of the Mendham Borough ECOSST was called to order at 7:30 p.m. and the open public meeting statement was read into the record.

ROLL CALL

| Mr. Arena | Present | Mr. Tracy | Present |
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| Ms. Mundy | Absent | Mr. Foerster | Absent |
| Mr. Metzler | Present | Mr. Morris | Absent |
| Ms. Herrick | Present | Mr. D'Urso | Present |

MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Metzler, seconded by Mr. Tracy and unanimously carried by voice vote to adopt the Minutes of the September 3, 2024, meeting as presented.

ROLL CALL

In Favor: Mr. Arena, and Mr. Tracy Opposed: Abstain:

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Arena opened the meeting to the public for questions and comments on items not included on the agenda.

There being none, public comment was closed.

NEW BUSINESS/OTHER ITEMS

Mr. Arena asked the group to come up with a priorities list.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Work Groups Reports
 - a. Open Space / Farmland Preserve
 - i. No Update- Mr. Arena requested a copy of the Open Space Fund.
 - b. Environmental
 - i. Mr. Metzler stated that there were a couple of applications with no environmental issues.
 - c. Shade Tree
 - i. No Update
- B. Project Group Report
 - a. Scott Farm
 - i. Mr. Arena stated that there were no updates since the last meeting.
 - b. Recycling/Clean Communities Outreach Program
 - i. No Updates
 - c. Service Projects (Scout Liaison)

- i. A request to install a garden in the wet area by the arboretum. Mr. Metzler will be requesting maintenance on the existing scout projects.
- ii. Mr. Metzler suggested a couple of clean ups per year.
- iii. Mr. Metzler will make a list of the projects.
- d. Trails
 - i. Mr. Arena stated that the Borough is receiving a grant for partial funding to fix the portion of Patriot's Path that the Borough owns.
- e. Events Calendar
 - i. No Update
- f. Methodist Church Property
 - i. Mr. Tracy reviewed the arboretum plans and feels that the trail does not need to be next to a sidewalk. And the path on the left side of the ball field should be removed.
- g. Community Wildlife Habitat
 - i. No Updates.
- h. Joint Land Use Board
 - i. Mr. D'Urso stated that there will be 2 JLUB meetings in August for V-Fee Mendham Apartments and all NJDEP permits were granted for the project.
 - 1. Courtesy Review for Mountain View School Auditorium
 - 2. V- Fee Mendham Apts.
- i. Council Updates
 - i. No Updates
- j. Publicity
 - i. No Updates

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Metzler, seconded by Mr. D'Urso and unanimously carried to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Lisa Smith Land Use Coordinator