



LAWRENCE TOWNSHIP

ENVIRONMENTAL & GREEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Lawrence Twp., NJ

CLEAN AIR, LAND, AND WATER

MINUTES

May 28, 2019

Roll Calling: Present: Noemi de la Puente, Dione Polk, Dana Irlbacher, Ed Frankel, Ratna Wynn, Teresita Bastides-Heron, Andy Link, Lawrence Township Liaison, Honorable Christopher Bobbitt, Township Mayor and Council Liaison

Absent with excuse: Donald Little, Pamela Mount, Tahirih Smith, Emily Eckart

Call to Order: Teresita Bastides-Heron, Vice-Chair call the meeting to order at 7:45 pm.

Comments from the Public: None

Site Plan Review – if any: None

NJ Clean Energy Program for Small Businesses: Dana Irlbacher report that she and Kristine, Student for Rider have a meeting and she made a package for Kristen so when she goes to the businesses, she can handle them to the business owner. The Package contain the Mayor's letter, the flyer, Sandra Torres' business card, Kristin report that she has cover 60% of the businesses around Main Street.

Stop Food Waste Program: Ratna Wynn reported that the transportation of the leftover food to different agency or shelter is a little be difficult. Some of the agency do not have big refrigeration equipment. Ratna also said the Pam Mount had meet with the

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President of Princeton University to discuss about the digester.
Ratna will be moving to Yardley, Pa on July 5th.

Single-use Plastic Bags: NJ legislation has 2 bills Assembly Bill A4330 and the Senate Bill S2776; which are on hold waiting for something. They are several towns That has Ban the use of plastic bags, balloons, use of straw and plastic plates and cutlery, etc. Teresita is going to get those 2 bills.

Other Business: Noemi went to the Storm Water Compliance presentation and said it was very comprehensive and she was very happy because she learned a lot. She also said at the Hopewell presentation on single plastic bag.

Mr. Dan Napoleon from MCIA, explained that is getting harder and harder to do recycling because China and Thailand, India and other countries is South East Asian don't want our waste. He also said that the increased for organic waste recycling when to up 40% and it was a contamination of 11% in Mercer County.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresita Bastides-Heron
Vice-Chair

Approved by: June 25, 2019

