

tendering his resignation from the Hazlet Environmental Commission effective immediately.

Meeting started late due to waiting for newly appointed Commissioner Thomas (TJ) Mann to be sworn in by the Township Committee. Com. Mann will finish out the remainder of Bill Shewan's appointment. Com. Mann will be our liaison to the Planning Board.

Sustainable New Jersey Networking Event –

July 25, 2012 – 4:30-6:30pm JJ Bitting Brewery Co. 33 Main St., Woodbridge, NJ

Chair Mazza stated that this is an initiative by the state to encourage towns to “go green”. There are 3 levels of certifications: Bronze, Silver and Gold. Com. Cavanagh stated that we signed the agreement and we must obtain a certain level of certification. Chair Mazza said we need to put together a Green Team and try to achieve the first level of certification. Everyone is welcome to join the green team.

Natco Park Wish List –

Chair Mazza gave a brief explanation of the purpose of the sub-committee and the need for the wish list. She stated that she presented the wish list to the Hazlet Township Committee at their meeting on June 19, 2012. Chair Mazza stated that she sent a copy of the Wish List to Larry Baier, from DEP. Previously Mr. Baier requested a wish list from former Commissioner Shewan. She reviewed the wish list with the HEC members and the citizens attending. She stated that an entrance to Natco Park was number 1 on the wish list and she expressed how important a “formal” entrance with a parking lot would be to the Hazlet residents.

Natco Park Remediation Sub-Committee Activities – Chair Mazza,

Chair Mazza asked if anyone has any questions for Comm. Brady.

Com. Geer asked if there was any activity in Natco Park? Comm. Brady said they just read a statement at the Township Committee Meeting stating that they cannot speak on that subject because of pending litigation. Chair Mazza asked if there was any work on the park yet?

Comm. Brady said whatever the DEP approves will be done. Mr. Dente stated that several of his calls to DPW were not returned and asked if there is someone to call about getting garbage from cans around Natco Lake picked up. Comm. Brady stated the Police can get into Natco if needed but he spoke to the Chief and firefighters need some of the roads in Natco to be wider. Com. Geer stated that the trails should only be 6 ft. wide. Comm. Brady said some roads need to be wider, not all trails. Chair Mazza stated that there must be criteria somewhere regarding the trail width. We don't have the expertise in this area. Com. Geer asked who put down the junk fill? Did we pay for it? Is it on a bill list? Comm. Brady said Manzo put it down but their magnets and screens were down at the time. Yes, he was paid. Com. Geer asked Where are the bills? Com. Brady stated everything is with the DEP. Chair Mazza told Com. Geer to e-mail Larry Baier for the reports. He has to give them to you through OPRA (Open Public Records Act). Chair Mazza will e mail Brian Valentino tomorrow regarding the Trail Grant status. HEC should be updated with every step.

UPDATES:

Natco Sub-Committee – Com. Lejda

Planning Board – Com. Mann

Com. Mann was just appointed. He will report next month.

Zoning Board – Township Comm. Liaison Brady

Comm. Brady was absent. He had to attend the Township Committee meeting.

Comm. Brady stopped in later and stated zoning is quiet. Chair Mazza asked about Atlantic Polymer. Comm. Brady stated that they are coming in compliance by making improvements that should have been done all along.

Open Space Advisory Council- Com Cavanagh

Com. Cavanagh stated that OSAC has formally recommended to the Township Committee to preserve the property at 387 Middle Rd. This is the property that would be perfect for the entrance and parking lot to Natco Park. The last meeting of the OSAC was cancelled due to a lack of a quorum He said they will have a special meeting to discuss the proposal (387 Middle Rd.). Com. Cavanagh stated that the Open Space Plan was not approved by the State because the inventory was not up to date. As soon as the inventory is updated the plan will be sent back to the State for approval. Not having a plan doesn't mean we can't do anything. We can only do one thing at a time. Com. Cavanagh said it's a good plan and is very well written.

Bayshore Regional Watershed Council – Com. Geer

Com. Geer missed the last meeting. He was away on vacation. He stated that the horseshoe crab tagging is finished. Their numbers were low.

Recreation – Twp. Com. Liaison Brady

Fireworks are planned for July 3rd. Bus trips to baseball games and shows. The Summer Camp started, Monday, July 2nd.

Hazlet Township website update –Twp. Liaison Aagre

Comm. Aagre was absent. He was attending the Township Committee meeting.

Facebook update - Com. Bucci

OLD BUSINESS:

Eagle Scout Projects – Nick Farro remapped the blue trail in Natco Park and put up a sign at the entrance to Natco behind Lillian Drive School. Chair Mazza stated that the sign needed some improvement and asked V.C. Lejda to walk the blue trail to see the benches and the trail markers that Nick put in the park. Chair Mazza said she will speak to Nick regarding the sign and anything else that V.C. Lejda felt needed improvement.

Hazlet Happenings – Com. Cavanagh will submit a brief article. Chair Mazza suggested topics such as using lawn fertilizers or water conservation.

Holmdel-Hazlet Patch Blog-

Chair Mazza said she will submit information about Natco Park blue trail markers and the Trail Grant.

2012BUDGET:

April 2012 – Earth Day supplies/trees \$241.00

2012 HEC Meeting Dates:

Dates are: Jan.9th , Feb. 6th , March 5th , April 2nd , May 7th, June 11th , July 2nd , Aug. 6th , Sept. 10th , Oct. 1st, Nov. 12th , Dec. 3rd, Jan. 7th ,2013.

- **June meeting was changed from the 4th to the 11th due to the Primary**

2012 CALENDAR:

Hazlet Day – Sept. 29 at Veterans Park

Fall Clean up - TBA

Holiday Tree Decoration – Dec. 1, rain date Dec. 2

Citizen Hearing:

Ron Dente – 14 Oregon Ave. Hazlet

Mr. Dente investigated different types of garbage receptacles that could be put on the perimeter of Natco Lake. He presented the commission with pictures and prices for their inspection. He also had maps to illustrate where the receptacles would be located. Mr. Dente said he already spoke to Union Beach Dept. of Public Works and they have agreed to empty the receptacles. He stated that several calls to Hazlet DPW have not been returned. Mr. Dente said he might be able to get blue barrels (new or used) and put concrete inside to make them heavy enough so they won't be moved or dumped into the lake. Mr. Dente contacted people in Union Beach Town Hall, IFF and the Lakeside Manor. He will continue to keep in contact with them.

Motion to close citizens hearing:

Offered – 2nd -

Voice Vote:

Motion to Adjourn:

Offered – Com.Pease 2nd –Com. Mann

Voice Vote: Yes

Meeting adjourned at 9:31

Next Meeting: August 6, 2012 – 8PM