

stated that we did submit one. He said engineering firm, T&M submitted one. Chairman Geer asked Com. Pobega if he has any e-mails from Steve Jandoli. Com Pobega said he does have some e-mails but he thought continuation of this topic should take place at the next Open Space meeting. Chairman Geer said that the Pflager Plan is due by the end of this and there are still questions about this property. Debris and soil need to be removed for testing. Comm. DiNardo said we should have some answers at tomorrow's Township Committee meeting. He said it is our priority to get it closed.

Rosemary Mazza stated that at the next Open Space meeting we should be asking "when will we buy more property?"

Bill Shewan last year the State said we needed to submit a Open Space Plan. He said we were supposed to go forward on it and the Township Committee needs to move on it. He said there is an advantage to having a plan.

Com. Pobega stated that he would look in the Environmental Office for a copy of the plan that was submitted.

UPDATES:

Natco Sub-Committee – V. Chair. Lejda, Com. Pease

V C Lejda stated that the Habitat for Humanity had a clean-up in Natco Park. She also stated that she purchased 100 Sugar Maple trees for the Earth Day celebration. Chairman Geer stated that Natco Park needs new signs on the trails and "No mopeds" signs. He stated that many trees are down and blocking trails. Com. Pease stated that the trees down around the town took priority over the ones down in the park. Com. Pobega asked if volunteers could handle removing the trees. Alt. Com. Dente stated that the many of the trees were very large.

Planning Board – Com Mann

Com. Mann was absent. Alt. Com. Pobega stated that Elegant Properties is on hold. Thursday's meeting will include Costco's addition

Zoning Board –

No update

Open Space Advisory Council- Com. Bucci

Com. Bucci was absent. Last month's meeting was cancelled. The Pflager Property will be discussed next month.

Bayshore Regional Watershed Council –Chair. Geer

Chair. Geer discussed seining dates – June 2 and Sept. 14 in Cliffwood Beach, Union Beach, Leonardo, and Atlantic Highlands. Horse crab tagging May 10, May 24, June 8 and June 23 at 8:00 at locations listed above. Training will be on April 25th. April 11th meeting with Bill Kasting from the Monmouth Cty Conservation will be at the Keyport Boro Hall. He will also attend the next Open Space meeting.

Recreation –

Saturday, March 30th was the Easter Egg Hunt. Summer Camp sign ups April 26th.

Hazlet Township website update –

Comm. DiNardo stated that updating the website is on-going. Business Admin., Dennis Pino is completely revising the website to be user friendly.

Facebook update- Com. Bucci

Com. Bucci was absent.

OLD BUSINESS:

Natco Remediation

Comm DiNardo stated that the Township is waiting for DEP to approve the plan. Chairman Geer would like to have an informational walk through Natco Park in May or June. Joe Reynolds was in attendance and he would like to invite residents to a Nature walk. He would like us to advertise on the website, facebook, and any other source we may have. A date of May 18, rain date May 19 at 10am was set. V C Lejda suggested parking at Lakeside Manor. Alt. Dente said he would contact the Lakeside to clear it with them. Chair. Geer and Com. Pobega will get together and scout out the best trails to use for the walk.

Forward planning for storm damage: Hazard Mitigation Plan, use of Advisory Base Flood Elevations (ABFE) maps

Com. Pobega stated that in comparing the old and new maps he found very little changes. Comm. DiNardo said tomorrow nights' Township Committee meeting will discuss the maps. Com. Eng stated that our goal should be to improve on the 10% CRS discount.

Status of development plans for “Stone Road Meadows” (Flood prone area)

Comm. DiNardo stated that the the township is moving forward with redevelopment of this property that is currently an eyesore. He said roof caved in on the old Bradlees building, it is not safe so now something must be done. He stated the property is very expensive(13-14Million) and it is a ratable.

NJ DEP Recreational Trails Grant Program -

Chairman Geer asked where would the matching funds come from for this grant? Com Pobega stated that the Open Space Council would like to set up a sub-committee to look into the grant further and thought we could even scale down the money needed. He said before we drop this grant it's worth exploring our options to make Open Space, HEC and the Township Committee happy. DiNardo stated that there is plenty of time to access this program.

Hazlet Happenings/Holmdel/Hazlet Patch Blog –

Comm. DiNardo stated that the township would like to bring back mailing the Hazlet Happenings newsletter to residents when the budget is approved. Com.Pobega volunteered to be editor of the HEC newsletter. He would need two or three writers. Possible topics: Nature Walk in Natco Park.

CALENDAR:

Spring Clean up- May 12/raindate May19 Poole Ave & Rt 36 10am

Hazlet Day-Oct. 5/raindate Oct. 6 Veterans park set up @ 9am

Nature Walk with Joe Reynolds-May 18/Raindate May 19@ Lakeside-10am

Fall Clean up-TBA

Holiday Tree Decoration-Dec. 14/raindate Dec. 15 Natco Pk. (behind Lillian Dr. School) 2pm

Reviewdates for cleanups:

Union Beach on April 27th with Clean Ocean Action

2013 Meeting dates:

Feb. 11, March 4, April 1, May 6, June 10, July 1, August 5, September 9, October 7, November 11, December 2, January 6, 2014-Reorganization Meeting

Budget:

ANJAC Dues: \$350.00

Citizen Hearing:

Rosemary Mazza 22 Region Dr, Hazlet

Ms. Mazza asked if the HEC had given any thought to get involved with groups, such as Environmental Justice, that are investigating the impact that Super Storm Sandy has had on the environment? Chair Geer discussed the impact of sandy on Hazlet. Com. Pobega stated that FEMA may buy properties that are too close to the water and the flood gates may need to rebuilt. Comm. DiNardo stated that a category 3 Hurricane would have taken down the existing flood gates. Joe Reynolds said he has been in contact with Congressman Pallone's office regarding seawalls and flood gates in the county. Chairman Geer will keep us informed through the Bayshore Watershed Council. Ms. Mazza asked again about HEC getting involved with other groups. Com. Pobega stated "we have no thoughts" on joining other groups.

Bill Shewan – 20 Mason Dr, Hazlet

Mr. Shewan said he would like to compliment and acknowledge the appointment of Ron Dente as Alt Commissioner on HEC. He stated regarding the remediation that even though the HEC is an advisory board(read the HEC mission statement) they should have been consulted. He also asked "could this happen again". Mr. Shewan read Twp. Meeting minutes from 2/19/13. A citizen asked when will the remediation start? Comm. Sachs said 17K is earmarked to remediate Helen Ln and Bart Pl. because that area has the most residential problems. The resident was concerned about the fill being in the park for such a long period of time, causing more damage. According to Mr. Shewan Comm. Sachs stated that the fill can't be too hazardous because the

