Alloway Township Environmental Commission March 10, 2014 General Meeting

Attendees: Craig Kane, Anne Sullivan, Autumn Angelus, Chris Gilbert, and Frank Ponti **Absent:** Joe Mahar and Warren Wieting

Meeting called to order at 7:33pm.

February's minutes were approved with changes. (Motion by A.S., seconded by C.K.)

Discussion:

• An abbreviated meeting was conducted because Chairman, Joe Mahar, was absent.

• No correspondence/ announcements at this time.

- Old business:
- The Ranch Hope variance came in the mail to the Planning Board, as reported by Craig.
- Details discussed at the last EC meeting will be brought up at the hearing during the 3/12/14 Planning Board meeting in regards to the Ranch Hope demolition/ construction plans.
- Anne was in communication with ANJEC on the subject of the community garden and the use of grant monies toward that. She was told that it "was not a good fit".
 - Community Garden will be tabled until further research is conducted.
- Other ideas for utilization of grant money were discussed.
- Craig suggested that all members of the EC should be familiar with the open space of the township. Feeding off of this idea, Frank suggested all members hold a copy of the Environmental Resource Inventories and maps showing Open Space. This may lead into a long term project for the EC, and a possible use for grant money?
- Frank said that he has an aluminum easel we can use for displaying maps, etc. *New business:*
- The Environmental Science Award theme needs to be chosen. Topic was tabled until we gather feedback from the school.

Meeting adjourned at 8:56pm. (Motion by C.G., seconded by C.K.)