

Alloway Environmental Commission

6/9/2014 meeting minutes

Physical/mail location: 49 South Greenwich Street, PO Box 425, Alloway, NJ 08001-0425

Attendees: Joe Mahar, Craig Kane, Frank Ponti, Anne Sullivan: and Chris Gilbert joined @ 9pm

Absent: Autumn Angelus (in her absence, AS volunteered to draft meeting minutes)

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Joe Mahar at 7:35 pm.

May minutes were approved as emailed to us by Autumn Angelus (Motion by FP, seconded by CK)

Discussion

- **Correspondence-** none
- **Announcements**

AS shared news that AT Mayor McKelvey attending SCIA June 12 meeting re township concerns. She strongly suggested attending to support Mayor as EC has dealt with SCIA with little result.

CK shared NJDEP's handling re wetland disturbance (SCIA's landfill in wetlands) and DEP's response. As EC liaison to Planning Bd, no planning activity upon which EC to comment.

FP discussed Ranch Hope's Dave Bailey Acme encounter/positive discussion with him regarding their landscaping/native planting presentation at May's meeting. Invited Ranch Hope back to update EC.

Joe Mahar suggested responding to Renee Brecht of Littoral Society's offer of NJ Invasive Species Strike Force Team invasive species talk to possibly ATEC, plus other nearby EC's. AS will follow up.

Old Business/Poster Judging

At 8:20 Chairman Mahar opened 15 pre-screened posters from AT 8th grade for us to judge 2 winners for essay/art presentation of "What are wetlands and why are they important?" Method employed was rating each part from 1 to 10, with highest combination score being reached by student **17**, second **35**. Final Judge Gilbert volunteered to make awards at June 18th graduation. JM writes a letter, with the notice of winning ATEC award, and stating "a check is in the mail", usually for \$ 50 to each winner.

EC Member vacancy filling was discussed. CK will contact while others are encouraged to apply online.

New Business/Summer Schedule

Next meeting is July 14th, August may be cancelled unless quorum reached by 7:45.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:50pm (motion by CK, seconded by FP)