Franklin Township Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes June 19, 2017

Meeting called to order 7:10 pm

Sunshine Law read by Chair Walter Andrews.

Roll Call, Present: W. Andrews, P. Walitsky, A. Schmidt, D. Triggs, D. Pydeski. C. MacIvor . Absent :T.Chase, J.Clyde, A.Vernick, M. Lauko.

Chair Report: letter sent to Township staff requesting space in Town Tent for Franklin Day Events. Article readied for upcoming Newsletter about Rain Barrel Workshop (Sept 9, 2017), AD received from ANJEC about a fundraiser event.

Minutes of June 5 meeting approved.

Website: No activity.

Welcome to Mayor Kramer who thanked us for the Township Resolution to sign on to Paris Climate Accord. He has signed it. Mayor Kramer is urging the Township to take positive steps to implement actions in support of the Paris Climate Accord.

- 1) Suggestion that Permit Application could be expedited if Solar or wind resources were part of Application.
- 2) Police car idling could be minimized by installing retrofit kits to battery power HVAC, lights etc. Discussion on this should be done in more detail by Mayor and Commission.
- 3) Suggest that permit applications should be expedited if use of Pervious pavement is in building permits.

Discussion ensued as to how Commission could provide list of ideas that might be used to support Climate Change Accord in local level.

Commission will develop list for Council consideration.

Mayor also asked if Commission would support our meetings being Video Taped for showing on the Township cable TV channel or on YouTube.

Motion to accept proposal of video taping of meetings and posting of our minutes and agenda. Motion was unanimously accepted.

Two (2) plans were reviewed. Hampton Inn proposal on Atrium Way and a proposal for 6 new homes in section near Rte. 287 and Elizabeth Avenue.

Franklin Day: Letter sent to Philips Lighting requesting donation of LED lamps, Brochures will be available, including new handout regarding car idling Deer Seminar is one month away, August 7, 2017.

Next Meeting July17th 2017.

No Public Comments.

Meeting adjourned 8:20 pm.