

Montclair Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

November 2, 2022 at 7:30pm

Meeting at Town Hall in the Council Chambers.

Type of Meeting: Monthly

Facilitator: Ben Rich

Note Taker: Suzanne Aptman

Voting Commissioners: Suzanne Aptman
(Co-Chair), Ben Rich (Co-Chair), Keith
Brodock, Imke Oster, Janine Salvador
(Webmaster)

Alternate Commissioners: Bill Martens

Excused: Mac Carbonnell

Township Council Liaison: Sean Spiller,
Mayor

Call the meeting to order: Time 7:35

This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting was published on the Montclair Township website home page, Montclair Local annually and, Montclair Environmental Commission website.

7:30 - Call the meeting to order, Welcome & Introductions - Ben Rich

7:35 - Approval October 2022 Minutes - Ben Rich

7:50 - Reports/Updates (input/decision/action needed or action completed)

- Stormwater assessment, status on process
 - Recommendations, based on the assessment were reviewed. Input given
 - Next step; will go before the Planning Board in December
 - This is the [stormwater map of montclair](#) available on the township website
- Pesticide request update
 - Discussed draft ordinance a second time;
 - Suggestions to better define the chemical components
 - Being reviewed by Professor at Rutgers, Analytical Labs with expertise in pesticides
 - Final version to MEC. Then to Council probably early next year.
- Public tree ordinance
 - Started discussion on a draft public tree preservation ordinance
 - Montclair does not have a set of regulations, guidelines for the planting and preservation, maintenance of publicly owned trees, except for the recent 70% native requirement. Other towns have these and DEP requires for Tree City USA recognition.
 - Will flesh out in the new year
- [Lackawanna Plaza update](#)
 - The redevelopment plan will be reviewed at Council in December
 - MEC may discuss and give feedback to Dave Placek
- Recycling communication

- Discussed requesting the Township provide communications more frequently in 2023
- Update with the latest and include waste reduction

Adjournment

Next Meeting: December 7, 2022