<u>Montclair Environmental Commission</u> – January 5, 2022 Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 842 7025 5919 Passcode: MEC_2021

Type of Meeting: Monthly **Alternate Commissioners:** Mac Carbonnell,

Facilitator: Suzanne Aptman Bill Martens

Note Taker: Ben Rich Excused: Nicol Sobczyk, Keith Brodock Voting Commissioners: Suzanne Aptman Township Council Liaison: Sean Spiller,

(Co-Chair), Ben Rich (Co-Chair), Imke Oster, Mayor

Janine Salvador (Webmaster)

Call the meeting to order: Time____

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, Montclair Environmental Commission website

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

7:35 - Approval December 2021 Minutes - Suzanne

<u>7:40 - Reports/Updates</u> (input/decision/action needed or action completed)

- 1. Communications:
 - a. Every Home Counts campaign & series

Potentially tie into Climate Action Plan (CAP) Online Survey will be created.

- b. Newsletter
- 2. Energy & Transportation:
 - a. Update to 7/2021 resolutions re: natural gas power plants, fossil fuel divestment
 Explained updates to resolutions that we passed in July.

 Natural gas compressor station resolution re: natural gas going from PA to NY
 - b. Energy Solutions & Comfort Partners program launch End Jan, Early Feb
- 3. Recycling & Waste call to action re: Recycling content bill
 - a. Ask Assembly Speaker Craig Coughlin to post bill A4676 for a vote before the lame duck session ends on January 11, 2022. (732) (AsmCoughlin@njleg.org)
 - b. Ask Assemblyman Giblin (AsmGiblin@njleg.org) and Assemblywoman Timberlake (AsmTimberlake@njleg.org) to VOTE YES on A4676 and ask them to ask Speaker Coughlin to post the bill for a vote.

Communication will do outreach on this

- 4 Trees & Natural Resources:
 - a. Update, Stormwater Recommendation
 - b. Pesticides on public land town doesn't use pesticides on public lands. However this is not codified. Proposed ordinance clarifying no pesticides on public lands so it is clear for landscapers and township employees.

Calendar:

- Styrofoam Recycling Jan 8th and 22nd

 <u>Green Infrastructure Champion training by Rutgers Coop Extension</u>, starts Jan 14, 10a-12p
- Stream Bank Restoration webinar; January 19th 6pm.

Adjournment **Next Meeting: February 2, 2021 Note Taker: Ben Rich**