

## Clinton Town Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

Date: March 11, 2019 (Monday)

Time: 7:30pm at Clinton Town Hall, Conference Room

1. Attendance: Christine Adornetto, Veronique Lambert, Michael Humphrey – Town Council Liaison, Tammy Healy– Land Use Board Liaison, John Madden – Chairman.
2. Adoption of February 19, 2019 minutes.
3. I-78 noise and environmental pollution issue and action plan decisions:
  - a. Action Plan revision. Instead of holding a public meeting before going to the council, hold a public meeting with the town council at the Firehouse in May to explain the issue and recommended actions. Mike Humphrey to arrange this meeting with the Mayor.
  - b. First step is to gather all of the relevant data, which can be part of a public notice, content for news release and a power point presentation.
    - NJDOT bridge structure condition reports – Humphrey.
    - NJDOT traffic reports volume counts over past years – Humphrey.
    - Decibel tests – Ken Fischer.
    - Water tests on sidewalk, drainage outlet on South Branch and in ditch running alongside I-78 Eastbound – Roberts/Madden.
    - Soil tests.
    - Accident records – Ken Fischer.
    - Groundwater contamination as evidenced by oily sheen in neighboring basements – Ken Fischer.
  - c. Add to impact area, West Main Street neighborhood and overpass of Landsdowne Trail and South Branch.
    - Noise level.
    - Toxic flow on overpass abutments.
    - Concrete deterioration at control joints on overpass over Landsdowne Trail – Madden to take pictures.
  - d. To gain support for brake retarder signs and enforcement, need to incorporate impacted neighborhoods in Annandale and Union Township – Humphrey and Mayor.
  - e. Report all collected data at April 8<sup>th</sup> Environmental Commission Meeting.
  - f. Share data findings with Mayor and Phelan at the end of April.
  - g. Adding West Main Street to survey area emphasizes need to make redevelopment area with affordable housing viable reducing I-78 noise impact.
4. The following items were discussed:
  - a. Highlands grant to prepare environmental data overlaps on the tax parcel maps. John Madden noted we are eligible for grant, but would need someone with GIS skills. Mike Humphrey stated there is a bill in Trenton that would charge businesses for impervious run-off. If it passes, they may prepare such maps. Tammy Healy also noted that layered maps could already exist for area along Rte. 173.
  - b. Revisit the Environmental Checklist.