COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP
Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes
July 15, 2025 – 7:00 pm
Town Hall Annex, 3 Veterans Way, Colts Neck Township

1. Meeting called to order by Mr. Hennessy at 7:05 PM

2. Salute to the Flag - done

3. Sunshine Law Notice (read by secretary):

"THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NEW JERSEY PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW HAVE BEEN SATISFIED BY NOTICING THE ASBURY PARK PRESS AND THE TWO RIVER TIMES ON FEBRUARY 26, 2025 STATING THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION WOULD BE HELD ON JULY 15, 2025 AT 7: 00 P.M., COLTS NECK TOWN HALL ANNEX, 3 VETERANS WAY, COLTS NECK. A COPY IS ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWNSHIP CLERK."

4. Roll Call: Environmental Commission: **Present:** Sue Fitzpatrick, Thomas Hennessy, Thomas Pacheco, Allan Ryan, Teresa Danile, Dina Ryan; **Excused**: Ray Malak, Bob Lutkewitte; **Absent**: Theresa Velardi

Roll Call: Green Team Advisory Committee:

Present: Sue Fitzpatrick, Thomas Hennessy, Teresa Danile, Allan Ryan, Dina Ryan; **Excused**: Alison DeNoia, Bob Lutkewitte

5. Discussion Items:

a. Goals and Objectives of the Environmental Commission, Shade Tree and Green Team

6. Minutes

May 20, 2025 meeting - Motion to approve: Allan Ryan; Second: Teresa Danile; All in favor: Yes

7. Old Business

- Liaison Report (Sue Fitzpatrick) Liaison Fitzpatrick notified Environmental Commission members of August 12, 2025 Planning Board meeting where ERI will be approved for admittance to Colts Neck Master Plan
- Application to submit to Sustainable NJ (Bronze level) (due July 31) (continued review materials provided by Teresa Danile)
- Deer Management Plan (Thom Hennessy advised passed by County; Township should review for possible model to follow)
- Forest Management Plan - Forest Fire Prevention (Thom Hennessy)(Allan Ryan-Forest Access Roads – Allan reported there is no plan in place or fire access roads in town-will bring up to Executive Fire Council)
- Clean Communities Opportunities (Clean Communities links for eligibility etc. appear on Township's DPW Page)
- Correspondence with schools re recruiting young families for Environmental Commission and communication with superintendent (Bob Lutkewitte followed up with Dr. Garibay and she will be sending out an informational e-mail re EC). No update on this for July meeting.

-Tree City Award – status pending

- Dark Sky (Light pollution – suggested review of ordinance)

8. New Business – No August meeting of Environmental Commission to be held. Liaison Fitzpatrick suggested EC members attend August 12, 2025 Planning Board as to ERI being approved for admittance to Colts Neck Master Plan

9. Planning Board Business

(i) Application No. PB766; Block 46, Lot 15
Delicious Orchards Generator Project- EC requests further information as to decibel levels

(ii) Application No. PB 768; Block 7.08, Lot 15
Sciandra – No comment

10. Comments from the Public*

Motion to Open Public Comment ____; Second ___ – All in Favor ___; Motion to Close Public Comment ___
Second ___ – All in Favor __

* No comments from Public but Virginia and Tom Russell attended for early part of our EC meeting

11. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn: Teresa Danile; Second: Allan Ryan; All in Favor: Yes; Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 PM

The next Environmental Commission Meeting will be on September 16, 2025
7:00 pm at the Colts Neck Town Hall Annex, 3 Veterans Way, Colts Neck Township

Respectfully submitted,
Dina Ryan
Secretary