## HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Hopewell Township Municipal Offices 590 Shiloh Pike Bridgeton, NJ 08302

## **Meeting Minutes**

November 1, 2023

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the meetings were advertised in the South Jersey Times and The Daily Journal on February 14, 2023. A notice was also placed on the Hopewell Municipal Office bulletin board as of the same date. The meetings are in compliance with Chapter 231 P.L. 1975 (The Sunshine Act).

Members present for the regular in-person monthly meeting: Jerry Lewis, Jane Hankins, Ken Strait, and Beth McClain. The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm, followed by a reading of the Public Meetings Act statement.

## I. Approval of minutes

K. Strait made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from October 11, 2023. It was seconded by J. Hankins and the minutes were approved unanimously.

#### II. Land Use Board

K. Strait reported that the township drafted four ordinances to review for compliance with storm water regulations. A separate ordinance covering the cutting of trees on personal property was also received from the solicitor. The resolution for additional parking for the Amish market was approved, as well as a waiver for a site plan for a convenience store on Rt. 49. There were no environmental issues involved in the decisions at the October meeting.

### III. Old Business

ERI-K. Strait volunteered to organize the footnotes for the ERI into one file, and the members who were present turned in their materials to him.

Pollinator Garden-J. Hankins contacted the Girl Scout leader about planting the daffodil bulbs, and is awaiting a response. The issue of edging for the garden was discussed, with the conclusion that steel edging is the best. J. Hankins recommended leaving the garden without edging for the present. J. Lewis will provide pricing at a later date.

#### IV. New Business

B. McClain will contact the township administrator concerning the procedure for cancelling meetings.

It was also noted that there is no night-time lighting on the American Flag in front of the municipal building. B. McClain will also relay this concern to the township administrator.

The next HTEC meeting will be held on December 6, 2023.

# V. Adjournment

J. Lewis made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by B. McClain at 7:40 pm.

Submitted by Beth McClain, secretary December 1, 2023