

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Tenafly Environmental Commission  
Municipal Center  
March 20 2014**

**Present**

Carole Hodges, Joe Lavin, Bob Culvert, Jeff Toonkel, David Cavilla, Nina Seiden John Purdy, Jeff Miller & Jim Coyle.

Joe Lavin called the meeting to order at 8.19 PM

**Review of January Minutes**

January minutes were reviewed and accepted. Motion to accept by Joe Lavin and seconded by Jeff Miller. The motion to accept was carried with all in favor.

**Green Team Update**

Bob Culvert explained we are the bronze level but will need to work just to maintain the current level as some of the points must be renewed. The Mayor and Council has asked that we move up to the silver level. Bob noted he plans to begin submitting information shortly to Sustainable NJ

**Earth Day**

Carole Hodges reviewed details for the Earth Day program.

**Open Space Trust Fund**

Mayor Rustin has appointed John Purdy and Nina Seiden to represent the Tenafly Environmental Commission. The group has not yet met.

Discussion took place on the 53 Knickerbocker Rd property. A motion was presented by Jeff Miller to have the TEC support preserving 53 Knickerbocker Rd as open space. The motion was seconded by Joe Lavin with all in favor.

**ANJEC Grant**

Joe noted that ANJEC has \$1500 grants available with a total of \$20,000 available in total. He plans to seek a grant for funds to cover the Earth Day signs.

**2014 Objectives**

Bob noted that he is working on:

- Maintaining bronze certification by working with the Green Team
- A Solar demo project at the Department of Public Works building
- Working with architect on the green Status of the new DPW building
- Developing a public outreach program for spring (Earth Day) as well as a fall event

**Planning Board**

Jeff Toonkel reported that there are very few applications at this time.

**New Business**

Carole asked if the TEC would like to co-sponsor an environmental film with the Tenafly Public Library. The members of the TEC agreed it would be a good idea.

**Guests**

None

Meeting was adjourned at 9.20PM

Respectfully submitted by David Cavilla