

Minutes of February 21, 2019 Meeting of the Tenafly Environmental Commission

Borough Hall

Adopted, 3/21/2019

In Attendance - *Chairman Jon Warms, Daniel Parks, Alternate Chair Olga Milanos, Zina Spezakis, Secretary John Purdy, Alternate Secretary Anna Makrinos, Allison Chertoff, Nina Seiden and Gina Weinstein, guests Christie Evans and Reno Danese*

All meetings are on a Thursday and start at 8:00 PM in the Borough Hall Conference Room. Green Team meetings start 30 minutes prior to this meeting.

Adoption of 1/2018 Minutes – Adopted.

Green Team Report – Earth Fair will be April 27th in TMS parking lot. DPW not hosting a table, maybe TFD? TNC annual dinner 4/7 at Knickerbocker CC, \$125/person.

Council Liaison Report – Engineering Grant Report for Car Chargers, DPW no longer picking up grass clippings, how are people notified? Branches in 3' bundles OK.

Recycling – Zina and Christie, styrofoam recycling works in Englewood. \$3K grant available from BUCA. Just clean packaging materials, no food, what about egg cartons? Unknown. XPS, bad, is not recyclable. Alison was going to draft a piece for the newsletter regarding what is and isn't recyclable to educate residents, but borough needs to do that, send thru DPW.

Program available the science of Styrofoam for elementary, mid-high school as well as adults and a reference guide. Grass roots effort from Girl Scouts to canvas area business that use Styrofoam. Can a collection bin be setup in DPW? Springfield is more flexible, Zina to follow up.

DPW - No report.

Styrofoam and Plastic Bags – Bill in NJ Senate to ban.

Other

Discussed banning balloons on borough property.

Suez report, lead is not in their water mains, may be in pipe from street to home, either the Suez portion or the homeowner's (or both).

NV greenway rescheduled.

Next meeting March 21, 2019

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 PM