**BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO**

**1740 MAIN STREET**

**LAKE COMO, NJ 07719**

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEETING – AGENDA - DRAFT**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 - 7:30PM - IN THE MEETING ROOM ACTION**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**SUNSHINE LAW**

**\*\*FLAG SALUTE\*\***

**ROLL CALL**

**MINUTES TO BE APPROVED**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. **ATTENDANCE AT MAY MEETING (Joe Huber)**
2. **MEETING SCHEDULE 2017**
3. **ANJEC ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONS HANDBOOK**

**DISCUSSION TOPICS**

1. **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT**
2. **LAKE COMO DAY & LAKE CLEANUP – DE-BRIEF (See Enclosure)**

**REPORTS ON PROJECTS**

1. **MEMORIAL TREE PROGRAM**
2. **SEEDLING PROGRAM – NURSERY & GIVE-AWAY**
3. **REGULATING/BANNING BAMBOO…**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

1. **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION ANNUAL REPORT**

Cover under **DISCUSSION TOPICS** above.

1. **LAKE FRONT**
2. **BUTTERFLY GARDEN RESTORATION**
3. **GIS/CAD MAP**
4. **MAIN STREET**
5. **BLOCK GRANT – STREET TREES**
6. **POSSIBLE PROJECTS**
7. **LAKE COMO DAY 2016 + RECYCLING**

Cover under **DISCUSSION TOPICS** above.

**NEW/OTHER BUSINESS/ANYTHING ELSE**

1. **BLOWING GRASS CLIPPINGS INTO STORM DRAINS (RESIDENT/JG)**
2. **STICKERD ONSTORM DRAINS (SY)**
3. **PLANNING BOARD LIAISON (JG)**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE COMO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 30, 2016.**

**THESE MEETINGS WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE COAST STAR. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

**FUTURE TOPICS (Originator)**

1. **REVIEW CURRENT TREE REMOVAL PERMIT ORDINANCE (VG)**
2. **LAWN ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (JG)**
3. **TREE REPLACEMENT AND PLANTING PROGRAM (JG)**
4. **MAIN ROUTES – 18TH & 16TH AVENUES, PARKWAY (JG)**

**Lake Como Day 2016 – Planning - Update**

**INFORMATION TABLE**

There was a great deal of participation on developing this initiative. Following are

the salient points:

1. OBJECTIVE, STARTING OUT

Mr. Gibbons reiterated that the objective for the Table has been firstly, to “get the

word out” and secondly, to enlist residents to receive Updates, request Advice on environmental gardening practice, and offer to Volunteer on EC projects.

1. EVENTS/DISPLAYS

**Vertical Garden**

As last year, Elliot Gibbons will bring his prototype and provide advice for a

portion of the Day. Mr. Gibbons will update the description and ask DPW for

help with transport. JG

*Description is complete.*

*DPW cannot help this year. Elliot will wheel the Vertical Garden to the site.*

***He would appreciate someone helping him with this. He’ll start out at 12:30pm.***

**Fertilizer Law**

Mr. Gibbons will update the publicity material. This issue should be prominent. JG

*Complete.*

**Seedling Give-away**

Mr. Buckley suggested that the seedlings should be available at the Table, to

avoid the amount of chasing up after the event.

On Saturday morning Mr. Gibbons and Mr. Buckley will pot-up sufficient

seedlings for handing out. JB/JG

*John & Jon will pot up the seedlings at 9am Saturday.*

Mr. Gibbons will update publicity and the planting guide. JG

*Complete.*

**Memorial Tree Program**

Application Forms will be made available for attendees to sign up. Follow-up

will be carried out when the planting/growing method is more reliable. JG

*Complete.*

**ANJEC Grant – Butterfly Garden**

Mr. Gibbons will update the graphics, drawing upon Mr. Harris’s Coast Star

article. JG

*Complete.*

Ms. Zielinski will provide photos she took during volunteer work. KZ

*Complete, along with a list of participants.*

**Volunteer Associates Program**

Opportunity to volunteer is included on the sign-up sheet. EC members will bring

this to the attention of visitors. All **Annual Plan/Vision**

Mr. Gibbons will provide an enlarged print of the Summary Slide. JG

*Complete.*

**Bamboo Ordinance**

Mr. Gibbons will update the descriptive material for display. Headline might be,

“Do you have bamboo?” JG

*Complete.*

He will also check to see if the massive root that Mr. Zarnecki provided at a

previous meeting is still in serviceable condition. If it isn’t he and Ms. Grasham

will try to contact Mr. Herninko see if a replacement might be available. JG/VG

*The root is still intact; it will be brought to the site.*

**Recycling, etc.**

Important to inform the kids about recycling. Recycling, hazardous waste fliers

are available at the Dollar Store. Mr. Cavanagh will purchase an appropriate

selection. CC

Ms. Graham will arrange with the County for Recycling bins to be in place for

Lake Como Day. VG

Shredding will happen on Saturday December 3, from 9am to 3pm. Ms. Graham

will look for the fliers to hand out. VG

**Stormwater Management**

Information materials – crayons, etc., for hand-out will be provided by Ms. Graham. VG

May be possible to put stickers on storm drains. Mr. Young will see if this is

allowed and if so, find out where stickers can be obtained. Perhaps not feasible to implement for this L/C Day. SY

*Scott researched this, and concluded that it isn’t feasible to have this ready in time.*

1. MATERIALS/SUPPLIES

Mr. Cavanaugh will supply a tent, a ream of printer paper for Mr. Gibbons to use,

and a couple of tables. CC

*Printer paper delivered, thank you!*

Mr. Young will bring a couple of tables. SY

Mr. Gibbons will obtain display boards from the Master Gardeners. JG

*Complete.*

1. MANNING THE TABLE

1-2 Setting up – JB, CC, JG, VG, DW, SY.

 ***Can someone walk with Dr. Weber to the site? I arranged for her to be***

 ***met at her house at 12:45pm.***

2-4 Manning - JB, CC (until 3pm), JG, VG, EO, DW, SY.

4-6 Manning - JB, JG, VG, EO, DW (until 5pm), SY.

6-7 Taking-down - JB, JG, VG, SY.