

**BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
1740 MAIN STREET
LAKE COMO, NJ 07719**

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING~VIRTUAL**

THURSDAY, MARCH 16, 2023, 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. SUNSHINE LAW

THE NOTICE REQUIREMENTS OF R.S. 10:4-18 OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT HAVE BEEN SATISFIED BY THE PUBLICATION OF THE REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENT IN THE COAST STAR ON FEBRUARY 2, 2023, AND BY POSTING IT ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN BOROUGH HALL. A COPY OF THE SAID NOTICE HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE BOROUGH CLERK. NOTICE OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING WILL ALSO BE POSTED ON OUR BOROUGH WEBSITE. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

****FLAG SALUTE****

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| III. | <u>OATHS OF OFFICE</u> | VG |
| | JOHN BUCKLEY, MEMBER | |
| | COLLEEN GREBERIS, ALTERNATE NO. 2 | |
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| IV. | <u>ROLL CALL</u> | |
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| V. | <u>COMMUNICATIONS</u> | VG |
| | 2023 MONMOUTH COUNTY SHREDDING DATES | |
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| VI. | <u>NEW BUSINESS</u> | |
| | 1. ANJEC GRANT | DH |
| | 2. "SPRING" LAKE CLEAN UP WITH ACHS~MAY 13, 2023 | MW/VG |
| | 3. WHSAD VISIT TO LAKECOMO~MAY 13, 2023 | JG |
| | 4. DISCUSSION ON RESUMING PHYSICAL MEETINGS (TIME?) | DH |
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| VII. | <u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u> | |
| | 1. MAIN STREET ARBORETUM (DISCUSS WITH MAYOR) | PV/DH |
| | 2. REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL VISION (DISCUSS WITH MAYOR) | DH |
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| VIII. | <u>UPDATES ON ONGOING/PREVIOUS PROJECTS</u> | |
| | 1. TREE REMOVAL ORDINANCE | PV |
| | 2. CLONet | JB |
| | 3. COMMUNICATION WITH MAYOR & COUNCIL | DH |
| | 4. BEHRMAN PARK & OTHER MUNICIPAL PROJECTS | DH |
| | 5. EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVE | DH |
| | 6. JON GIBBONS REPORT (PATCHWORK FOR WILDLIFE) | JG |

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**IX. FUTURE TOPICS
(SUGGESTIONS)**

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

XI. MINUTES TO BE APPROVED

XII. MOTION TO ADJOURN

THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE COMO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION WILL BE HELD VIRTUALLY ON THURSDAY, MAY 18, 2023 AT 7:00 PM. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

PLEASE CLICK LINK OR DIAL IN TO JOIN MEETING:

To join the video meeting, click this link: <https://meet.google.com/uja-bxvm-wac>
Otherwise, to join by phone, dial +1 401-684-3227 and enter this PIN: 555 237 952#
To view more phone numbers, click this link: <https://tel.meet/uja-bxvm-wac?hs=5>

OATH OF OFFICE
BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBER

I, John Buckley, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the authority of the people; and that I will faithfully, impartially and justly perform all of the duties of the office of Member to the Environmental Commission according to the best of my ability. So help me God.

Date: March 16, 2023

Attest: _____

John Buckley, Member

OATH OF OFFICE
BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBER

I, Colleen Greberis, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of New Jersey and that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same and to the Governments established in the United States and in this State, under the authority of the people; and that I will faithfully, impartially and justly perform all of the duties of the office of Alternate No. 2 to the Environmental Commission according to the best of my ability. So help me God.

Date: March 16, 2023

Attest: _____

Colleen Greberis, Alternate No. 2



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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
February 3, 2023**

County announces 2023 paper shredding dates *Multiple opportunities to dispose of old documents safely*

FREEHOLD, NJ – Monmouth County has scheduled 16 paper shredding events throughout the County so that residents can dispose of old documents and confidential files safely.

“The County is proud to partner with our municipalities to provide our residents with multiple opportunities to eliminate unnecessary paperwork and documents,” said Commissioner Director Thomas A. Arnone, liaison to the Monmouth County Department of Public Works and Engineering. “These free events not only help residents declutter their homes but also can protect their personal information that may be on files such as bank statements, medical records, legal documents and utility bills from identity thieves. On behalf of the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners, I would like to thank our partners for assisting us in offering this important service to our residents.”

All shredding events will be held from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the following locations:

- Saturday, March 25: Atlantic Highlands - Municipal Harbor Parking Lot
- Saturday, April 15: Brielle - Municipal Parking Lot, 601 Union Ln.
- Saturday, April 22: Long Branch - Community Pool Club, 275 Atlantic Ave.
- Saturday, May 6: Marlboro - Marlboro Municipal Complex, 1979 Township Dr.
- Saturday, May 20: Shrewsbury Boro - Shrewsbury Municipal Center, 419 Sycamore Ave.
- Saturday, June 10 – Matawan - Matawan-Aberdeen Train Station, Parking Lot #1
- Saturday, June 17: Oceanport - Oceanport Borough Hall, 910 Oceanport Way
- Saturday, July 15: Fair Haven - Fields at the corner of Ridge Rd. & Dartmouth Ave.
- Saturday, Aug. 5: Neptune Twp.- 2201 Heck Ave. (Recycling Yard)
- Saturday, Aug. 19: Hazlet - Hazlet Pool Club Parking Lot, 1766 Union Ave.
- Saturday, Sept 9: Colts Neck - Town Hall Parking Lot, 124 Cedar Drive
- Saturday, Sept 23: Freehold Twp. - Freehold Twp. Municipal Bldg., 1 Municipal Plaza
- Saturday, Oct. 7: Millstone - Millstone Park, 4 Red Valley Rd.
- Saturday, Oct. 21: Bradley Beach -1015 Main St.
- Saturday, Nov 4: Allenhurst - Beach Club at the end of Corlies Ave. near Ocean Ave.
- Saturday, Nov 18: Middletown - Middletown High School North, 63 Tindall Dr.

County residents may shred up to 100 pounds, which is equivalent to four office paper boxes or four large-sized trash bags. All papers will be shredded on location in the mobile trucks and the event will end once the mobile trucks are full or its scheduled end time. Large binder clips must be removed from documents; staples and paper clips can remain.

This program is hosted by the Monmouth County Board of County Commissioners and the participating municipalities: Allenhurst, Atlantic Highlands, Bradley Beach, Brielle, Colts Neck, Fair Haven, Freehold Twp., Hazlet, Long Branch, Marlboro, Matawan, Middletown, Millstone, Neptune Twp., Oceanport, and Shrewsbury Boro.

Information about the paper shredding events and recycling can be found on the recycling section of the County’s website, www.visitmonmouth.com, or call 732-683-8686, ext. 8967.

2023 Environmental Commission Grants

2023 ANJEC GRANTS FOR OPEN SPACE STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS

Applications due

Monday April 17, 2023



ANJEC is now accepting applications from environmental commissions for grants of up to \$1500 each for local stewardship projects. Suitable projects for the grant funding include, but are not limited to:

- community gardens
- trail building, signage, maintenance
- urban agriculture projects
- printed or online guides, maps, inventories of open space, trails
- open space or trails assessments, plans, maps
- park or habitat enhancement
- riverfront trails
- pollinator gardens/ bee habitats
- multi-town plans to link open space or trails
- conservation easement inventory, monitoring, outreach, education
- management of invasive species
- restoration or maintenance of riparian areas within preserved public open space
- educational stormwater management projects on preserved public open space

*****ANJEC is pleased to announce continued funding for projects on/near remediated hazardous sites for the 2023 Grant Program***



[Click here for application and more details.](#)

Application deadline, April 17, 2023



Newsletter & Helpful Information

The 2023 Borough Calendar and other helpful information can be found on the Borough's website at www.lakecomonj.org



Please check it periodically to stay up to date on what is happening in town.

Beginning in February 2023
Recycling will now be picked up every Thursday!



Borough of Lake Como 2023 Pick Up Dates

Garbage: Mondays & Fridays
Bulk: Mondays with stickers (limit of 3 items each Monday)
Leaves: April, October, November & December only
Brush: April – December twice a month (please see Borough Calendar for dates)
Recycling: Every Thursday

2023 Lake Como Events

Lake Clean Up – May 13th
Lake Como Day – September 23rd
Tree Lighting – December 2nd
Holiday Decorating Contest – December 14th

BRUSH PICK UP

Brush pick up will take place twice a month from April through December. Brush does not include, leaves or grass clippings. Please place brush to the curb the night prior to pick up. Anyone found in violation, is subject to a fine. Pick up dates are as follows:

April: 4 & 18	May: 9 & 23	June: 6 & 20
July: 11 & 25	August: 8 & 20	September: 5 & 19
October: 10 & 24	November: 7 & 21	December: 5 & 19

If a private contractor does any work in town, that contractor must remove the brush and debris on their own.

HELPFUL INFORMATION

Lake Como Borough Hall
1740 Main Street
Lake Como, NJ 07719
Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 4:00pm
732-681-3232

Belmar Police Department
601 Main Street
Belmar, NJ 07719
732-681-1700

Lake Como Public Works
720 17th Avenue
Lake Como, NJ 07719
Hours: Monday – Friday 7:00am – 3:00pm
Saturday – 9:00am – 12:00pm
732-681-3393
Lake Como Court
601 Main Street
Belmar, NJ 07719
Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00am – 4:30pm
732-681-8864

STORMWATER PREVENTION

As we enter the mowing season, please help us to avoid grass clippings being leaf-blown into the gutter, practice mulching. They go into the storm sewers and eventually end up in our lakes and ocean. This contributes to “dead spots” which grow algae and kill fish and plant life. If you see a contractor doing this, please share this information or report to Borough Hall. Visit our website www.lakecomonj.org for more helpful information.

More information regarding stormwater prevention can be found under the Public Works link on the Borough website at www.lakecomonj.org.



CODE ENFORCEMENT

MANDATORY SALE/RENTAL INSPECTION

As per Borough Ordinance, you are required to obtain a Certificate of Inspection on all sales, all rentals, and any long-term rental units that have not been inspected within the past three (3) years.

This pertains to anyone operating an Airbnb or VRBO rental. Those is violation face fines up to \$2,000.00.

OVERCROWDING

Landlords who rent units to more persons than legally allowed will be issued a summons, BO 9-4.6. Any tenants who over occupy a dwelling after a Certificate of Inspection is issued will receive a summons for each person in the dwelling.

HOUSE NUMBERS

It is imperative that house numbers and business addresses be clearly visible on each and every property in town. House numbers are very important in the day-to-day operation of the town, but in an emergency situation, it could mean the difference between life and death. House and business address numbers must be a minimum of three inches (3”) in height.

DID YOU KNOW...

You need a Tree Removal Permit any time you REMOVE a tree from your property or from the area between the curb and sidewalk. Go to www.lakecomonj.org to learn more!

