

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

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING~VIRTUAL
AUGUST 26, 2021**

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 SPECIAL PUBLICATION OF THE REQUIRED ADVERTISEMENT IN THE COAST STAR ON AUGUST 19, 2021, AND BY POSTING IT ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN BOROUGH HALL. A COPY OF THE SAID NOTICE FOR THIS VIRTUAL MEETING HAS ALSO BEEN FILED WITH THE BOROUGH CLERK AND POSTED ON OUR BOROUGH WEBSITE. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

****FLAG SALUTE****

III. OATHS OF OFFICE

**DEBORAH HILLIARD ~ ALTERNATE NO. 1
COLLEEN GREBERIS ~ ALTERNATE NO. 2
ANDREW REINERS ~ PLANNING BOARD LIAISON**

IV. ROLL CALL

V. MEETING DATES 2021-2022 REORGANIZATION

**CHANGE MEETING DATE FROM 3RD WEDNESDAY AT 7:30
TO 3RD THURSDAY AT 7:00 PM EVERY OTHER MONTH**

VI. NEW BUSINESS

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| 1. LAKE COMO DAY ~ THEME, TABLE, EXHIBITS, GIVEAWAY | MW/VG |
| 2. FALL LAKE CLEAN UP ~ DATE, TIME | MW/VG |
| 3. ISSUES WITH TREES IN TOWN/REVISE TREE REMOVAL ORD. | MW/VG |
| 4. LEAVE ONLY YOUR FOOTPRINTS~SPRING LAKE MEETING | MW |

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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| 1. NO PLASTIC BAG USE FOR BUSINESSES | PV/MW/VG |
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VIII. UPDATES & DISCUSSIONS ON ONGOING/PREVIOUS PROJECTS

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| 1. LAKE FRONT PROJECT/ANJEC ENV. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD | MW/JG |
| 2. PATHWAY TO THE LAKE~GIVE FEEDBACK TO STUDENTS | MW/JG |
| 3. PATCHWORK FOR WILDLIFE~CERTIFICATES/YARD SIGNS | MW/JG |
| 4. CLONet PROJECT | MW/JB |
| 5. THANK YOU LETTERS | MW/VG |

IX. FUTURE TOPICS

- 1. PRESENTATION OF DRONE~MIA , MON. UNIV.**
- 2. TREE SEEDLING NURSERY & GIVEAWAY (VOLUNTEERS NEEDED)**
- 3. INVASIVE PLANTS ORD. ~ REVIEW BELMAR'S ORD.**

X. PUBLIC COMMENTS

AUGUST 26, 2021 AGENDA (CONTINUED):

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, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021 AT 7:00 PM. ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

**** SEE ZOOM LINK BELOW ****

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7326813232?pwd=OWZzYlINM3dmZEVNMVY5QlQzb2FYQT09>

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OATH OF OFFICE
BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBER

I, Deborah Hilliard, 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. 1 to the Environmental Commission according to the best of my ability. So help me God.

Date: August 26, 2021

Attest: _____

Deborah Hilliard, Alternate No. 1

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: August 26, 2021

Attest: _____

Colleen Greberis, Alternate No. 2

OATH OF OFFICE
BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MEMBER

I, Andrew Reiners, 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 Planning Board Liaison to the Environmental Commission according to the best of my ability. So help me God.

Date: August 26, 2021

Attest: _____

Andrew Reiners, Planning Board Liaison

**BOROUGH OF LAKE COMO
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
2021/2022 MEETING DATES**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Environmental Commission of the Borough of Lake Como will hold its Regular Meetings on the 3rd Thursday of every other month starting at 7:00 pm as follows, unless otherwise noted:

Thursday September 16, 2021

Thursday November 18, 2021

**Thursday January 20, 2022 (REORGANIZATION AND
REGULAR MEETING)**

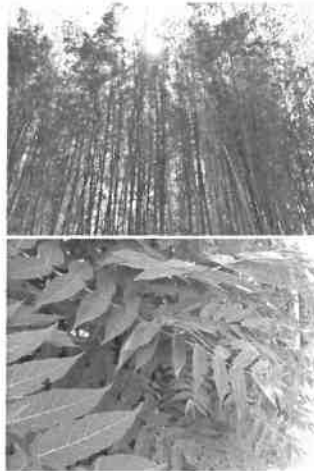
PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that said meetings will be held virtually as deemed necessary due to COVID-19, until further notice, via Zoom Invitation found on our borough website: www.lakecomonj.org. When public meetings resume, they will physically be held in the meeting room at the Municipal Building located at 1740 Main Street, Lake Como, New Jersey. All meetings are open to the public.

A copy of this Notice is posted on the Bulletin Board at Borough Hall and a copy has been sent to The Coast Star and The Asbury Park Press and filed with the Borough Clerk for public inspection.

08/25/21

**Viveca H. Graham
Environmental Commission Sec.**

Belmar Places Bamboo, Other Invasive Vegetation on ‘Do Not Plant’ List



Running bamboo, top, and tree of heaven are among the fast-spreading invasive plants that have been banned in Belmar.
Cathy Goetz

By CATHY GOETZ

Published August 20, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BELMAR, NJ — Bamboo and other invasive plants are no longer welcome in Belmar.

The borough council has adopted an ordinance that prohibits the new planting of bamboo and other invasive species, and requires property owners to keep the fast-growing plants from spreading to their neighbors’ yards or public grounds — or face up to a maximum of a \$2,000 fine for each occurrence.

In addition to the in-ground planting of “running, clumping and spreading” bamboo, other non-native vines and vegetation that are now prohibited from being planted or must be controlled include:

- Ragweed
- Poison ivy
- Poison oak
- Tree of heaven
- Garlic mustard
- Japanese knotweed
- Mile-a-minute
- Multiflora rose