

Haworth Environmental Commission
February 27, 2019

Start time 7:05pm

In attendance:

Cynthia Soroka-Dunn, James Zagelmeyer, Andy Anderson, Mary Beth Postman, Louise Reich, Mary Beth Topar, Polly Zurlini

From Public: Mark Kahn

Cynthia asked to have a new secretary to step up. She has been doing it for over 2 years. It was agreed upon that at every meeting a different person on the commission would take over the responsibility.

Ordinance to Stop North Bergen Liberty Generating Plant. Everyone said that they are in favor of having a short ordinance just to say oppose the plant.

Suez – Lead in homes. This should be given to the board of health.

Anti-Idling – Andy will put together some information to provide to the Haworth Newsletter. James said the saying State of NJ Law: Turn Your Key Be Idle Free will appear on the town electronic board. He will let us know when it will appear.

Affordable Housing – Next meeting at Mayor and Council on this issue will be on March 5th, 2019.

Marc Kahn had three major issues that he wants addressed:

#1: A Mandate on Solar for all new building.

#2: Plastic Bags and Plastic Straws should be banned. He asked if the EC would pay for the first batch of paper straws and alternative bags for 5 businesses in town. Total cost would be \$80.

Mary Beth Postman mentioned getting free bags from Sperry. A few others mentioned a drop spot for free bags that are made of other material besides plastic that people in town could drop off and others can pick up for free.

#3: Suez should pay for more than what they are and not make the consumer pay for everything. Have free home tests for water.

James suggested for people to use Stroud Water Research if they want to test their water themselves.

A few people mentioned Terry Leeshock to head up the plastic ban in school.

Meeting adjourned at 8:39pm