

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE BOROUGH OF WALDWICK
HELD ON THURSDAY DECEMBER 18, 2025

OPENING PORTION

- **Call to Order:**
 - Executive Director Tom McCormick called the meeting to order and read the Statement of Compliance.
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - Recited by all present.
- **Roll Call:**
 - Tom McCormick conducted the roll call. Present were:
 - Thomas McCormick
 - Dr. Mohammad Ahsan
 - Meghan Bisi
 - David Isaacs
 - Dan Montella
 - David Zilkowski
- **Council Liaisons:**
 - Councilman Mark Ramundo
 - Councilwoman Michelle Weber
- **Approval of Minutes:**
 - The minutes from the October 16 meeting were approved.

PUBLIC PORTION

- No comments from the public.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Scout & Small Projects Inventory for Beautification Committee & Green Team Upkeep:**
 - Dave Zilkowski shared list of projects sites to maintain.
 - Dave will send out list to create a database.
 - An interactive map of the sites was proposed to go along with the list.
 - Keep interactive list on the town website.
 - Get local business owners involved.
- **2026 Town-wide Events**
 - Tom spoke with Tatiana about scheduling the fall town cleanup.
 - The event is currently on hold due to other ongoing borough matters.
 - EPS drive on January 3rd

- Earth Day is proposed for Wednesday April 27. However, the Town has set the date for April 18 (High school recess is April 13 to 17).
- Check for other conflicts with US 250th anniversary celebrations.
- Put dates in the calendar. Let Town (Tatiana) know.

- **Wyckoff Avenue Property Walk**
 - No developments. No updates.

- **Native Plants / Educational Outreach**
 - Annual Seed Swap at the Ramsey Public Library upcoming.
 - Dan Montella arranged for Elaine Silverstein, Chair of the Bergen Chapter of the Native Plant Society, to give a presentation at the Ramsey Library on March 19, 2026 (speaker to bring her own computer).

- **Committee T-Shirts**
 - Tom to speak with Tatiana

- **Flower Boxes & Composting**
 - No developments and no updates regarding grant write-ups from **Bruno Associates** (grant writers).

- **Deer signs**
 - No updates.

- **Water Conservation Initiative:**
 - No updates.

- **Whites Pond Restocking:**
 - Considering stocking additional fish species (bass, etc.) in addition to trout.
 - Mark contacted the hatchery and left message and is awaiting a response.

- **EPS Collection Partnership:**
 - Potentially combine neighboring town cleanups with the Styrofoam (EPS) collection drive.

NEW BUSINESS

- News bulletin for late winter and early spring. Include the April 18 Styrofoam (EPS) collection.
- Mahwah Environmental Volunteers MEVO - Mahwah, plant sales, composting, teach school kids about composting was discussed. See link: *MEVO | Inspiring and Empowering People to Take Action for a Better Future* <https://share.google/sIA9drP6RHI3D4Mc9>
- Check that the ANJEC Membership was paid.
- Check for fee for Sustainable Jersey

CORRESPONDENCE

- None.

ADJOURNMENT

- A motion to adjourn the meeting and meeting concluded at approximately 8:30 PM.

Next meeting will be January 16, 2026, at 7:00 PM in the Council Chambers.

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