



The Town of Fenwick Island

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Fenwick Island Environmental Committee (FIEC)

July 12, 2023, Minutes

Meeting Held Via Hybrid Method

Present: Colleen Wilson, Susan Brennan (ZOOM), Vicki Carmean
Absent: Pam Pridgeon
Staff/Council Participants: Raelene Menominee

Susan Brennan called the meeting to order at 9:06 am followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1-Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Vicki and seconded by Colleen to approve the minutes from June 14, 2023. Approved.

2- OSW Projects Update

Vicki drafted a letter to State legislators similar to one from Protect Our Coast Delmarva concerning the wind farms. She will submit the letter to the Town Council for approval as it will be put on Town letterhead. Construction has begun on the Vineyard wind farm off the coast of Nantucket and the South Fork wind farm off the coast of Long Island. New Jersey legislators awarded Orsted more money as their costs had increased. Our Environmental Committee has been asked to participate in the Hands Across the Ocean rally taking place at beaches up and down the Atlantic Coast on Saturday, July 15 at 11:00 am. Our rally will be held outside of Town Hall at 11:45 am following the FISH meetings on that day. The event will be publicized on Facebook, Instagram, NextDoor, and on the Town electronic sign. Signs will be made and the local press will be notified.

3-Monarch and Pollinator Way Station Update

The lot has been cleared and leveled. Bill Ruppert has been contacted regarding a fence for the site. A 5 foot fence is required as it is considered a park. A couple of ideas were suggested including a black chain link fence and a galvanized post fence with cables.

Susan and Colleen will set up a meeting with the Inland Bays Garden Center staff to discuss the garden design and what plants might be appropriate. Planting will most likely take place at the end of the summer in cooler weather.

Location of the water cistern and the hose was discussed.

The local Barefoot Gardeners club would like to support the garden as one of their projects.

4- New Business

Colleen will be meeting Dianna Harris from OC (Protect Our Coast Delmarva) to get materials for the OSW rally on July 15.

Susan suggested inviting Deb Cowell who recently attended the Infrastructure Committee meeting. Deb is concerned about the lack of trees in Fenwick Island. It was suggested that we invite her to a future Environmental Committee meeting.

5- Next Meeting

The next Fenwick Island Environmental Committee (FIEC) meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at 9:00 am.



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6- Public Participation

None

7- Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 9:43 am was made by Vicki and seconded by Colleen. Motion carried.