



The Town of Fenwick Island

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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING

April 8, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

Town Hall

UNOFFICIAL MINUTES

Members Present: Colleen Wilson (Zoom), Susan Brennan (Zoom), Liz Lear

Other Participants: Lois Twilley

Staff Participants: Kathy Grab.

Call to Order/ Flag Salute

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of March 11, 2026

No quorum was present; therefore, no official action could be taken.

2. Final Plans for Earth Day

- a. Room and Assignments

- Room setup will occur following the Council meeting on April 24.
- Committee members are asked to arrive at Town Hall at 8:00 a.m. on April 25.
- Liz Lear will provide coffee and donuts; Vicki Carmean will provide parsley plants.
- Existing supplies (bags, signage, gloves, trash bags) will be reused.
- Street assignments have been coordinated by Vicki Carmean.

3. Pollinator Park Update

- a. Clean Up

- Clean-up took place on March 26th and was completed.

4. Faucett-Okie Family Nature Preserve Update and Next Steps

- a. Plants

- Plant delivery is scheduled for Wednesday, with hole digging to occur the same day.
- Public Works have been asked to cordon off the area.

- b. Survey

- Survey has been completed.

- A portion of the property previously believed to belong to a neighboring property owner was confirmed to be Town property. Public Works have cleaned up that area where there were logs and a wire fence.
- Committee Members and staff discussed boundary adjustments with a neighboring property owner; the natural fence section has been relocated to Town property.
- Public Works will stabilize the fencing.
- With plant delivery and Public Works support, the site is expected to be ready for Earth Day.
- Vicki Carmean donated little stakes to label the plants.
- Colleen Wilson would like to have a feathered flag for the entrance.
- The committee will request that Natalie Magdeburger make a speech at the grand opening.

5. Old Business

a. Beach Grass Planting

- The planting was on March 21, and it went well using the auger from the Town.

b. Soirée

- Due to member availability, the event date will be changed from June 27 to June 20.

c. Little Library

- Town Council approved the request to replace the Little Library.
- One will be purchased, Mike Locke will have it installed, Kathy Grab maintains the library.

d. Arboretum

- Town Council approved the request for the Faucett-Okie Family Nature Preserve be used as an arboretum.
- Lois Twilley reported that Professor Zaprowski does not currently have an intern but anticipates having one for the summer to assist with plant and tree identification and GPS mapping.
- Lois Twilley invited him to Earth Day Celebration and the dedication.
- A reminder that the date of the dedication has been moved to May 16th.
- The last portion needed is the listing.

e. Sidewalk Planting

- Discussion was to be made during the meeting about hiring someone to do the plantings. Without quorum, a motion cannot be made.
- Susan Brennan spoke with Mike Locke last week. It was discussed to have Public Works to remove weeds and clean the area.
- Susan Brennan and Colleen Wilson will review the area and figure out what plants will be needed and make a list. The Committee discussed native plants for this area in the January meeting. The list will be brought to the next meeting.

6. New Business
 - a. None
7. Public Participation
 - a. None
8. Date of the next meeting
 - a. May 13, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.
9. Adjournment
 - a. **Adjourned at 9:31 a.m.**