# **Mountain Lakes Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes**

Mar 20, 2018 7:30pm Borough Hall

## **Commissioner Members Present:**

Mimi Kaplan Allison Rankin Nicholas Coppola Kevin Driscoll Khizar Sheikh Pinky Samat David Shepherd - Borough Council Liaison

Kyla Hunter – Student Liaison

#### 1. Public Comments - None

## 2. Environmental Liaison reports

Planning Board – nothing to report

Lakes Management – Hydro-Raking is scheduled at Birchwood Lake to manage water lily overpopulation. There remain 4-5 beaver dens on Birchwood Lake. An update on the Lightning Alert System installment on the beaches & fields was provided

Department of Public Works - Suggestion to use permeable pavers for pathways in Beach Projects, instead of asphalt.

Economic Development - Sunrise, Elderly Care Facility, presented at the Borough Council meeting a request for potential development which included architect's renderings. Better collaboration and input was welcomed including integrated comments from discussions. There appears to be no real increase in traffic, not adding students to schools, and low water use.

## 3. Mountain Lakes Racket Club Permit discussion

The DEP provided a copy of a permit application related to the sale of the property as reference

## 4. Renewable Energy

The Environmental Commission will support the exploration of the economies of renewable resources and options

#### 5. Eco-Weekend

Scheduled for April 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> with events including; Trash Day, Community Clean-Up, Rain Barrels, Composters and Reusable bags for sale.