

**Bradley Beach**  
**Environmental Commission**  
**March 19, 2012**  
**Special Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by John Weber at 7:00 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

This was a special meeting, but it was noticed in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act in the Asbury Park Press, The Coaster, and the Coast Star.

ROLL CALL: MEMBERS PRESENT – Mr Weber, Ms Crawford-O’Brien, Mr. Cicchi, and Mr. Sexsmith

Members Absent – None

This was the first Environmental Commission meeting in over a year, and during that time several stepped down from the commission. The first order of business was to elect a Secretary and a Chair.

Mr. Cicchi nominated Mr. Weber to be the commission Chairman. Ms Crawford seconded the Nomination. The commission voted unanimously to elect Mr Weber as the Chairman of the Environmental Commission.

Mr. Cicchi nominated Mr. Sexsmith to be the commission Secretary. Mr. Weber seconded the Nomination. The commission voted unanimously to elect Mr. Sexsmith as the Secretary of the Environmental Commission.

The following general topics were then discussed:

1. Ms Crawford asked what the status of the maritime forest concept championed by a previous commission member is. Chairman Weber said he will discuss this with Mayor Schreck.
2. Mr Cicchi suggested contacting Mayor Schreck to see if the area at the north end of Ocean Avenue is considered to be part of the beach, and if so whether beach funds could be used in that area.
3. Chairman Weber discussed the Clean Ocean Action each Sweep scheduled for 9-12 on Saturday April 21, and that members of the commission should help publicize the event. Mr Cicchi said he would contact the Monmouth County Jail to see if work-release labor could be used to help.
4. Chairman Weber will discuss with Mayor Schreck the Environmental Commission budget is for the current and future fiscal year.
5. Ms Crawford asked if single stream recycling also applied to trash collected on the beach. Chairman Weber will discuss this with Mayor Schreck.

The commission discussed potential projects for the commission to undertake.

1. Chairman Weber raised the topic of placing signs on the dues to keep people off them. Mr Cicchi made a motion to write a letter to Mayor Schreck, and the town council requesting they manufacture signs, and to work with a member of the commission to identify where the signs should be placed. Ms Crawford seconded the motion. The commission voted unanimously to approve the motion. Secretary Sexsmith took the action to draft the letter following the meeting.
2. Chairman Weber raised the subject of pet waste caused by pet owners not cleaning up after their pets, becoming a widespread problem in town. He gave the commission members copies of a pamphlet available from the Surfrider Foundation being used in nearby towns to help address the issue. Chairman Weber made the motion to include the topic of Pet Waste, and the potential use of the Surfrider Foundation Pamphlet in the letter to the mayor and council. Secretary Sexsmith seconded the motion which carried unanimously.
3. Secretary Sexsmith discussed the issue of electrical usage by the town. He made a motion to include that topic in the letter to the mayor and council. The motion was seconded, and carried unanimously.
4. Chairman Weber discussed partnering with Rutgers University, and the Surfrider Foundation to hold a rain-barrel workshop in town. He presented a sample flyer used in an adjacent town to promote the activity. He made a motion to include the topic in the letter to the mayor and council. The motion was seconded, and carried unanimously.
5. Chairman Weber raised the subject of invasive species at the boardwalk / beach area, and who's/what permission was required to remove them. The commission determined this required additional research. Chairman Weber took the action to continue researching the issue, and the commission decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting.
6. Chairman Weber raised the subject of the Environmental Commission becoming more involved in town sponsored events to help "green" those events. The commission decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting.
7. Ms Crawford brought up the topic of widespread use of a bulldozer on the beach, and whether or not this was prudent. The commission decided to continue this discussion at the next meeting.

Chairman Weber announced that the next meeting would be held at 7:00PM on Monday April 2, 2012.

Mr. Sexsmith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms Crawford seconded the motion which carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30PM.