

March 31, 2022

○ **KINNELON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**MARCH 31, 2022**

**MEETING TO ORDER:**

Chair Person Thomas Ott called the meeting to order, stated this meeting is being held pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act. Adequate notice of this meeting was given by advertising in the January 9, 2022 edition of the Trends and was provided to the Star Ledger, Daily Record and the North Jersey Herald News. Adequate notice was also posted on the municipal building bulletin board, filed with the Environmental Secretary and provided to those persons or entities requesting notification.

The meeting of the Kinnelon Environmental Advisory Committee came to order on March 31, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. via zoom. Present were, Thomas Ott, Jessica Zelenak, Lauren Ebersol, Scot Simptner, Katherine Galarza

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Thomas Ott had one correction to be made. (January needed to be changed to February)
- Scot Simptner made a motion to approve February 24, 2022, Second by Katherine Galarza. With the unanimous affirmative voice vote of all members present.

**HEARING FROM THE PUBLIC:**

- Chairperson Thomas Ott asked if anyone from the public wished to be heard, to please step forward.
- Adi Mittler, 33 Round Hill Road, Kinnelon and Emily Ott of 6 Hornbean Lane from Crew 777, spoke on Earth Day. They would like to do a town wide clean-up with the support of the Environmental Committee, Board of Health and Mayor. Ms. Adi would like to place on the borough website a flyer for residents to Adopt a Street for clean-up. This would happen on April 22<sup>nd</sup>. The Kinnelon DPW will provide garbage bags and gloves and have a pick-up point to remove the filled garbage bags.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Thomas Ott asked everyone for their email and a phone number for a contact list
- Earth day – Spoke to the Borough Forester John Linson on the kinds of sapling to give out that would survive in Kinnelon
- 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Katherine spoke on giving out Trail maps and tote bags

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- Talked about joining the Environmental Committee and Open Space Committee into one. Most of the Environmental Committee were in favor for the merge of the two committees. Thomas Ott the Environmental Chair person asked for a vote.

Jessica Zelenak made a motion in favor of merging of the two committees, second by Katherine Galarza

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Roll Call:

Scot Simptner, Yes;  
Thomas Ott, Yes;  
Jessica Zelenak, Yes;

Lauren Ebersol, Yes;  
Katherine Galarza, Yes.

Thomas Ott asked for a sub-committee for looking into some of the issues that would need to be discussed and considered and bring this back to the committee for discussion. Jessica Zelenak will be the chair person with Katherine Galarza and Scot Simptner.

Roll Call:

Scot Simptner, Yes;  
Thomas Ott, Yes;  
Jessica Zelenak, Yes;

Lauren Ebersol, Yes;  
Katherine Galarza, Yes.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- There was no correspondence for the month of March 2022.

**RESIGNATION:**

- Lauren Ebersol regrettable put in here resignation, the committee was sorry to have to see her go.

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:**

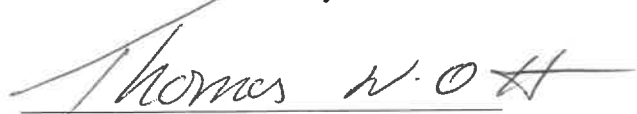
- There were no bills to be paid this month

The meeting adjourned upon a motion by Thomas Ott, seconded by Jessica Zelenak, with the unanimous affirmative voice vote of all members present at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Karen M. Iuele, RMC  
Borough Clerk  
Environmental Secretary



Chairperson Thomas Ott