

Elk Township Environmental Commission (ETEC)
August 14, 2013
Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

ETEC Members: Donna Nicholson, Donna Weiss, Kevin Costello, Frank Goss and Barry Cohen
Elk Twp Committee: Carolyn King-Sammons
Absent: Teal Jeffers, Dennis Marchei (Twp Committee)
Public: Eileen Tercha

I. March 2013 Meeting Minutes Approval

No Minutes as March meeting did not have a quorum.

II. Public Discussion

N/A

III. New Business

- a. Commission Vacancy – Eileen Tercha has expressed interest and will fill the open seat on the Commission.
- b. Elephant Swamp Sinkhole Repair Construction Estimate Review
 - Received quote to repair 3 wash out areas with geotextile fabric, and rip rap -\$3,470. Will get 2 additional quotes before moving forward with the work.

IV. Old Business

- a. Rails to Trails Grant Status (Elephant Swamp) Update
 - NJDEP has said that Elk has not made a claim against the grant and the entire grant (\$24,000) is available at the present time.
 - Work to include signs, dog trash can/bags, tree trimming
- b. Dog Curbing Problem at Elephant Swamp
 - Township needs to pick up the trash on the trail weekly as it is becoming an issue.
 - As part of grant expenditures, ETEC will purchase dog waste receptacles and bags for use along the trail to reduce dog waste on the trail itself.
- c. Camelot at Elk Subdivision Update
 - Camelot is now Aura Subdivision by Canuso; applied for wetland permits. The Conversion plan has been approved. NO further ETEC input needed.

V. Correspondence

N/A

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VI. Open Commission Discussion

- Will skip the September ETEC meeting, unless items come up to be addressed. Kevin will communicate with the group via email ahead of the September meeting date.
- Frank Goss mentioned the infestation of bag worms on township trees; he has mentioned it to the Township. Also, Frank will reach out to the County Mosquito commission to see if they will spray the Recreational fields and Elephant Swamp Trail.

VII. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm