



TOWNSHIP of HOPEWELL MERCER COUNTY

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NOTICE OF MEETING AND MODIFIED PROCEDURES

Hopewell Township Environmental Commission Meeting January 19, 2021 7:00PM

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act, Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, and in consideration of Executive Order No. 103, issued by Governor Murphy on March 9, 2020, declaring a “State of Emergency and Public Health Emergency in the State of New Jersey”, the Township of Hopewell does hereby notify the public that to protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens while ensuring the continued functioning of government, the regular meeting of the Hopewell Township Environmental Commission scheduled for Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 7:00PM, will be held electronically only. The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the business of the Environmental Commission as listed on the agenda posted on the Hopewell Township Website located at: <http://www.hopewelltpw.org/AgendaCenter>

Members of the public who wish to participate in the meetings by telephone may do so by calling 1-646-876-9923 and followed by meeting number ID: 929 9406 1362. Individuals calling into this number will be able to fully participate in the meeting, and provide public comment. Members of the public who wish to participate via the video conferencing platform may join by accessing the following link.

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HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION *TENTATIVE AGENDA TO THE EXTENT KNOWN* TUESDAY January 19, 2021, 7:00 P.M.

I. Call to Order/ Statement of Compliance

The Hopewell Township Environmental Commission meeting is hereby called to order at 7 pm.

Notice of revisions to the conduct of this meeting as an electronic meeting only was further posted on the Hopewell Township website and forwarded to the Hopewell Valley News on January 15, 2021.

This meeting is being conducted through a Zoom videoconferencing application and is being recorded through the application.

II. Roll Call

- a. 2021 Members

III. Reorganization

- a. Nomination of Chairperson
- b. Nomination of Vice-Chairperson
- c. Nomination of Secretary

IV. Minutes for Approval

- a. December 15, 2020

V. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

VI. Review

- a. Ordinance Establishing Environmental Commission
- b. 2021 Goals
- c. 2021 Budget

VII. Planning and Zoning Board Applications

a. Zoning Board Application Documents:

Case Materials posted at <http://www.hopewelltpw.org/294/Zoning-Board-of-Adjustment>

b. Planning Board Application Documents

Case Materials posted at <http://www.hopewelltpw.org/291/Planning-Board>

1. Hopewell Parc – North & South; 449 & 445 Scotch Rd.; B93, L5.01, 5.02, 6.02; Prop. Inclusionary Housing Development, with site improvements

VIII. Report of Subcommittees / Discussion and Updates - Ongoing Projects

- a. Report from Township Committee liaison
- b. Report from Planning Board
- c. Report from Zoning Board
- d. EC Members' Outreach Articles

IX. New Business

X. Announcements & Correspondence

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XI. Executive Session

XII. Public Comment

XIII. Adjournment

Copies of information related to this agenda are available for viewing during regular business hours in the Community Development Office located at the Hopewell Township Municipal Building, or at the noted website postings.

2-7 ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION.

2-7.1 Established.

There shall be an environmental commission to be known as "The Hopewell Township Environmental Commission." (Ord. #7/15/74)

2-7.2 Membership.

- a. *Membership and Appointment.* The commission shall consist of seven members appointed by the mayor, one of whom shall be a member of the planning board. The members shall serve without compensation, except as hereafter provided. The mayor shall designate one of the members to serve as chairman and presiding officer of the commission.
- b. *Alternate Members.* There shall be two alternate members, appointed by the mayor, designated at the time of appointment as "Alternate No. 1" and "Alternate No. 2." (Ord. #7/15/74; Ord. #06-1365)

2-7.3 Terms; Dates of Appointment.

The term of office of the first commissioners shall be for one, two and three years, to be designated by the mayor, at the time of appointment, so that the terms of approximately one-third of the members will expire each year and their successors shall, thereafter, be appointed for terms of three years and until the appointment and qualification of their successors. The terms of the alternate members shall be for two years except the terms of the alternate members first appointed shall be for two years for Alternate No. 1 and one year for Alternate No. 2. (Ord. #7/15/74; Ord. #06-1365)

2-7.4 Powers of Commission.

The environmental commission shall have the power to conduct research into the use and possible use of open land areas of the township and may coordinate the activities of official bodies organized for similar purposes, and may advertise, prepare, print and distribute books, maps, charts, plans, pamphlets which, in its judgment, it deems necessary for its purposes, all within the limits of funds appropriated to it by the township committee or gifts which may have been made available for such purposes. It shall keep an index of all open areas, publicly or privately owned, including open marsh lands, swamps and other wetlands, in order to obtain information on the proper use of such areas and may recommend to the planning board of the township, plans and programs for inclusion in a municipal master plan and the development and use of such areas. (Ord. #7/15/74)

2-7.5 Acquisitions by Commission.

The environmental commission may, subject to the approval of the governing body, acquire property, both real and personal, in the name of the Township of Hopewell, by gift, purchase, grant, bequest, devise or lease for any of its purposes and shall administer the same for such purposes subject to the terms of the conveyance or gift. Such an acquisition may be to acquire the fee or any lesser interest, development right, easement (including conservation easement), covenant or other contractual right (including a conveyance on conditions or with limitations or reversions), as may be necessary to acquire, maintain, improve, protect, limit the future use of, or otherwise conserve and properly utilize open spaces and other land and water areas in the municipality. (Ord. #7/15/74)

2-7.6 Personnel.

The commission may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may require and shall be within the limits of funds appropriated to it. (Ord. #7/15/74)



*Township of Hopewell, NJ
Thursday, January 14, 2021*

Chapter 17. Land Use and Development

Article III. SUBDIVISION AND SITE PLAN APPROVALS, PROCEDURES

§ 17-35. SUBMISSION OF COPIES OF APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION.

The planning board shall make available to the environmental commission an informational copy of every application for development submitted to the planning board. Failure of the planning board to make such informational copy available to the environmental commission shall not invalidate any hearing or proceeding.