**BOROUGH OF CALIFON**

**ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**Tuesday, October 11, 2022**

Chairperson L.Jenssen called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm by reading the Sunshine Act statement.

**Roll Call:**

**Present -** L. Jenssen (Chair), R.Geist, J.Kinney, B.Thomas, Secretary

**Approval of Minutes:** Unable to approve minutes from August 9th, due to lack of a quorum.

**Correspondence:** Letter from Ferriero Engineering notify EC of a permit application for a culvert replacement at 71 Academy Street. B.Thomas will send an acknowledgement of letter to Ferriero Engineering.

**Old Business:**

Salem Oak Seedling –L.Jenssen, will check w/ Mike Medea on its status. A location for planting still needs to be decided, will consult with Parks and Recreation about location.

Pollinator Garden (ANJEC grant) - Talked about putting a cover down to kill off some weeds this fall. L.Jenssen will send B.Thomas information to order the raised bed forms. L.Jenssen to talk with grower about ordering plants in the spring. Lots of volunteers signed up to help at the Street Fair. B.Thomas will make a master email list and reach out to volunteers.

Green Team – B.Thomas & L.Jenssen will eventually pick a date to meet.

Open Space discussions with Planning Board Members – Nothing to report.

Weis Mill Remnant – Nothing to report. Will be discussed at November’s meeting.

Street Fair was a great success. Went through 150 succulent pumpkins. Coloring Contest pages were distributed, leftover pages were dropped off at the Califon School for students to participate. Contest was also posted on Califon’s website and Facebook page. Winner will be announced at the November meeting. Sixteen volunteers signed up to help with pollinator garden.

Workshop being planned for February’s EC Meeting – theme will be “Deer Proof Gardening”. This will also help us promote the pollinator garden grant.

**New Business:**

J.Kinney will research and work on a letter about the spreading of salt on bridge sidewalk.

With no further business to attend to, meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara M. Thomas