

WARREN TOWNSHIP
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2023
ZOOM Meeting

I. CALL TO ORDER AND STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The Environmental Commission (EC) of Warren Township, in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey convened in a Regular Meeting at the Warren Township Municipal Building, 46 Mountain Blvd., Warren, New Jersey on Wednesday, March 8, 2023.

Wayne DeFeo called the meeting to start at 7:07pm via Zoom meeting Conference.

Pursuant to the requirement of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting was given by posting a copy on the Township Bulletin Board and sending a copy to the Township Clerk, Echoes Sentinel and Courier News as required by the Open Public Meetings Act. All Commissioners are duly appointed volunteers working for the Township of Warren.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Wayne DeFeo, Susan Zeitels, Karen Task, Karen Kaiser, Jerry Toth, Valerie Meyers,

Absent: Laura Mandell, Shaun Fine

III. Discussion The February 8, 2023 minutes were reviewed Jerry Toth made a motion to approve and Karen Kaiser seconded it. All WEC members were in agreement.

IV: NEW BUSINESS

1. CASE:	BA23-01
BLOCK/LOT	Block 71 Lot 33 73 Mount Bethel Road
DATE:	February 8, 2023
APPLICANT:	Ankur & Kartika Gupta
Proposal:	Front Yard & Side Yard Setbacks, undersize lot
ENGINEER:	James J. Mantz, PE & LS

1. WEC agrees with the Board of Health that the applicant must provide evidence of the well capping regulations per NJ State regulation *N.J.A.C. 7:9D WELL CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE; SEALING OF ABANDONED WELLS*
2. WEC would like to see the tree replacement plan for this property. Native trees and Plants are recommended and should be a minimum of five (5) inches in diameter.
3. WEC has no issues with granting this variance.

V: DISCUSSION

The township tree replacement plan was discussed again and Wayne DeFeo used Princeton and Cherry Hill as examples of townships with some of the best tree replacement plans in New Jersey. When re-working the Warren Township plan, the group will site those two townships.

The Warren Township opening day for baseball and softball was discussed. Shaun Fine will update the group at the April meeting. It was agreed that more recycling bins and trash receptacles are needed.

VI: Adjournment – 8:23PM Susan Zeitels made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Valerie Meyers seconded it.

The next meeting will be held on April 12, 2023 at 7pm via ZOOM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Krisann Bintley, Secretary
Environmental Commission