



**West Deptford Township Beautification Committee**  
**April 20, 2017**  
**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order**

Chair, Ms. Nancy Miller, opened the meeting with the open public meetings notice. "Adequate notice of this meeting has been given by notifying the South Jersey Times and the Courier Post, posting the meeting date on the official bulletin board of the Township Municipal Building, and filing written notice with the Township Clerk".

**2. Swearing in of New Member: Cathleen Ryer by Lee Ann DeHart, RMC.**

**3. Attendance/Roll Call**

Lee Ann DeHart completed Roll Call. The following were in attendance: Nancy Miller, Christina Hutchinson, Carol May, Joanne Kintzing, Rick Nichols, Matt Moore, Sharon Robinson, and Nancy Barna were in attendance. Absent from this meeting were Mike Gallagher, Jason Morrell, John DiCarlo and Megan Kerr.

**4. Approval of March 16, 2017 Minutes**

Motion made by Matt Moore, seconded by Christine Hutchinson to approve the March 16, 2017. Motion was approved by the entire Committee.

**5. RiverWinds Clean Up**

RiverWinds Clean-up was discussed and opinions given as to the future of the event. Issues of concern were, the size of the area, the lack of volunteers, feedback from the Community was not very positive as they feel the Township should be maintaining the beds and the time of day and dates were also discussed. It was noted the future of the event would be discussed later in the year.

**6. Earth Day**

Supplies were discussed and an overview of the day's events were listed, and the area to be clean-up was discussed.

**7. Park Improvements**

The parks in Sherwood, Crescent and Morris & Grant were discussed. The residents in Sherwood would be mulching the park themselves. Joanne Kintzing would post them on social media. A discussion was held outlining the park clean-up, how to get more people involved and how to advertise the event. It was decided that a flyer would be distributed in the Crescent Court neighborhood to solicit volunteers to help. The date of June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8:00 am was agree upon.

**8. Welcome to West Deptford Sign**

Lee Ann DeHart asked for a sample of the sign design and went over the process to submit an application to NJDOT to get permission to post the "Welcome to West Deptford sign". A discussion was held and it was noted that Lee Ann DeHart would continue with the submission of the application.

**9. Adopt an Island**

As there were no takers this program will be revisited in September and October.

**10. Community Garden**

The location of the Community Garden was discussed, Nancy Barna will research other areas and a meeting should be set with the Woodbury Garden Club to discuss the process to start a Garden Club.

**11. New Business**

**Dog Park:** Rick Nichol presented a dog park project and a discussion was held regarding Deptford Township's dog park, possible location, insurance, and a K-9 memorial. Mr. Nichol's will contact Deptford Township to see how they went about the process of establishing a dog park, Lee Ann DeHart will contact the Township's insurance company to find out what would be needed to open a dog park. Nancy Miller distributed a list of "open space" for the members to review.

**12. Public Comment**

No one from the public was present to address the Board.

**13. Carol May** volunteered to be the Recording Secretary

**14. Adjourn**

Nancy Barna made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Carol May seconded the motion and the motion was approved unanimously.

Next meeting on May 18, 2017 @ 7:00 PM. at RiverWinds Community Center.

Submitted by Lee Ann DeHart, RMC