

**Environmental Commission Agenda
April 23, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.**

Roll Call

Open Public Meeting Statement

This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. This meeting has been electronically sent to the newspapers, posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building, and uploaded to Byram's website, www.byramtwp.org not less than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of this notice is on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk. A resolution indicating the time, date, and location of the Open Space meetings for the year 2026 was forwarded to the designated newspaper for online publication, posted on the bulletin boards and main doors of the Municipal Building and on the Township's Website and forwarded to the Secretary of State of the State of New Jersey.

Public Participation and Open Forum

Review of March 2026 Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports

- **MRMC** – Last meeting held April 21; next meeting June 16
- **Open Space** – Last meeting held March 13; next meeting May 11
- **Town Council** – Last meeting held April 21; next meeting May 5
- **Byram Trail Keepers** – Last meeting held March 5

Member Reports

New Business

- Warm welcome to Josh Spahl (Alternate 1 member)
- Earth Day recap and reimbursement for Earth Day seedlings
- iPhone Nature Photography Class with BTHS–May 3rd at 2:00pm
- NJUCF Community Forestry Management Plan
- Byram Seniors Group Talk–"Invasive Plants in Byram"–June 25th at 1 pm
- EC member needed for Byram Grant Team: [Community Energy Plan Grants - Sustainable Jersey](#)
- Planning for National Trails Day–June 6th
- Native Habitat Restoration at Glenside Woods
- Trail Reroute at Briar Ridge North
- Next Social Hike

Planning Board Applications:

Robert Wroblewski, hearing date 05/07: [Block 268 Lot 756, 159 Lackawanna Drive, Wroblewski](#)

Maria Lacatena, hearing date 05/07: [Block 58 Lot 76, 71 Brookwood Drive, Maria Lacatena](#)

Vito Lombardo, hearing date 05/21: [Block 42 Lot 112, 10 Route 206, Vito Lombardo](#)

Joe Van Fleet, hearing date 05/21: [Z15-2025, Block 228 Lot 313.02, 2 Bank Street, Van Fleet](#)

Highlands Interactive Map: <https://www.nj.gov/njhighlands/gis/REX/#-74.69086,40.90764,5.17>

Old Business

- Greg Smith: Thoughts on Deer and Light Pollution
- Native Plant Program
- Mansfield Trail Superfund Site
- Prescribed burn in Tamarack Park
- “Dirty Dirt” In Forest Lakes
- MWA Drain Way Project and West Brookwood River Cleanup

Training – NJUCF CEUs – 2 needed.

Membership – Alternate I and II positions vacant.

Annual Budget – \$2,600 – ANJEC \$500 renewal + root-cutting shovel (\$50) spent

Next Meeting to be held Thursday, May 28 at 7 p.m.

Motion to Adjourn