



Environmental Commission Agenda

January 22, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Open Public Meeting Statement

Adequate notice of this meeting has been published specifying the time and access information in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of this meeting has also been electronically sent to the newspapers and uploaded to Byram's website no less than 48 hours in advance of the meeting. In addition, a copy of this notice is on file in the office of the EC Secretary.

Public Participation and Open Forum

Review of December 2025 Meeting Minutes

Committee Reports

- **MRMC** – Last meeting December 16; next meeting TBA
- **Open Space** – Last meeting January 12; next meeting February 9
- **Council** – Last meeting January 20; next meeting February 3
- **Byram Trail Keepers**

Member Reports

New Business

- Collaboration with Recreation Department / Debbie Armeno
 - Spring Recreation Hike; Full Moon Hike?
 - Family Trails Passport
 - Earth Day activities for kids?
 - Trail Keepers- Club By-Laws Draft
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- First Energy Tree Planting
- Looking ahead to 2026: Main Action Steps toward Big Goals (Trails, Invasives, Watersheds, Community Outreach, Zero Waste)
 - Sussex County Trails Grant (w/ Open Space Committee)
 - Map completion and roll out (QR code, website, event to celebrate?)
 - Prescribed burn & other invasives efforts
 - Arbor & Earth Days; native plant giveaway
 - Collaborations with schools
 - Riparian buffer or green infrastructure project(s)
 - Composting initiative?
- Tilcon 2026 License Application
- Planning Board Applications –
 - [Block 360 Lot 6, Jans Way, Marcelino Lopez](#) (for new home construction)
 - [Z14-2025, Block 360 Lot 1.01, 183 Forest Lake Drive, Gockeler](#)
(for accessory structures and tract disturbance)

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

Old Business

- Preparing for prescribed burn in Tamarack Park
- Mansfield Trail Superfund Site
- “Dirty Dirt” on Hemlock Drive
- MWA Drain Way Project and West Brookwood River Cleanup

Training – NJUCF CEUs – 8 needed

Membership – Alternate II position is vacant.

Budget – TBA

Next Meeting – Scheduled for Thursday, February 26.

Motion to Adjourn