

Chatham Township Environmental Commission Meeting Agenda Wednesday January 8, 2025, 7:15pm 58 Meyersville Rd. Chatham NJ 07928

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING STATEMENT: The meeting schedule for 2025 and January 2026 is posted on the main bulletin board at the Township municipal building, in two newspapers and on the Chatham Township Environmental Commission website at https://www.chathamtownship-nj.gov/environmental. The public is cordially invited to attend all meetings, join the discussions and participate in projects.

CTEC'S PURPOSE: To undertake projects and make recommendations concerning the protection or use of natural resources, including water resources and air quality, located within or directly affecting Chatham Township.

The Chatham Township Environmental Commission's goal is to provide a responsible environmental viewpoint to Township committees and boards and to undertake projects with a strong educational component in order to inform officials and residents about constructive actions that can be taken to preserve the environment.

PROPOSED DATES FOR CTEC AND GREEN TEAM FOR 2025 AND JANUARY 2026 – CTEC to Vote on proposed schedule

The first Wednesday except the second Wednesday in January April and July 2025: January 8, February 5, March 5, April 9, May 7, June 4, July 9, August NO MEETING, September 10, October 1, November 5, December 3, 2024 and January 14, 2025.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Roll Call of CTEC Members: Marty McHugh (Township Committee liaison), Jessica Romeo, Cara Pacifico Feeser, Amy Mason, Jim Connelly, Celeste Fondaco, Lisa McHugh, Dan Miller (Planning Board), Pat Wells (alternate 1)
- 2. Public Meeting Statement (see above)
- 3. Reorg of CTEC, discuss and appoint chair and co-chair
- 4. Approve 2024 meeting schedule
- 5. Approve Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2024
- 6. Green Team updates Activities that CTEC manages are all part of the Green Team.
- 7. 2025 events (running list, not complete): Assign 2025 events/programs to commissioners

-Determine at least two educational seminars

-EV Expo with Madison and Chatham Borough - Date TBC

-Spring yard sale with Madison, Chatham Borough, Great Swamp Watershed Association – May 3rd (rain date May 4th) and October 18th (rain date October 19th)

-Tree seeding giveaway coupled with 2nd planting date at Shunpike - Date TBC

- -Plant sale with the Great Swamp Watershed Association, distribution Date TBC
 - *seminar 1
 - *seminar 2
 - *seminar 3
 - *seminar 4

-Native Plant Month w/ the Library of the Chatham - May 2025 - TBD

-Fishawack

- -Fall Sustainability fair
- Township Fall Festival
- -Fall cleanup event
- -Trail workday
- -Fall yard sale with Madison, Chatham Borough, Great Swamp Watershed Association (10/18/24)
- 8. Reports:
 - a. Township Committee Marty McHugh
 - b. Planning Board Dan Miller
 - c. Open Space Jim Connelly
 - d. Education and Outreach –
 - e. Invasive Species –
 - f. Social Media Jessica Romeo
 - g. Website -
 - h. Pollinator / Native Gardens Jessica Romeo
 - i. Grants Jim Connelly
- 9. Township <u>NRI</u> discussion.

APPLICATION/ENVIRONMENTAL PERMIT REVIEW – Lisa has been doing a great job, attending site visits and preparing comments for Board of Adjustment and Planning Board applications.

ONLINE RESOURCES

- Good NJDEP website for maps, parcels and environmental information at NJ-GeoWeb,

http://www.state.nj.us/dep/gis/geowebsplash.htm - use Internet Explorer.

- Very good Morris County mapping utility at <u>https://morrisgisapps.co.morris.nj.us/apps/parcelsearcher/</u>, hit Map and use the i tool. Gives information about each parcel and has aerials layer. Search for more detailed information about a parcel at <u>https://mcweb1.co.morris.nj.us/MCTaxBoard/</u>.

- View open space and Green Acres properties at https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/ga50/docs/rosi.lite.pdf and https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/ga50/docs/rosi.lite.pdf and https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/ga50/docs/rosi.lite.pdf and https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/ga50/docs/rosi.lite.pdf