



Chatham Township Environmental Commission
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday October 1, 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.

DATES FOR CTEC AND GREEN TEAM FOR 2025 AND JANUARY 2026

The first or second Wednesday depending on the month:

January 8, February 5, March 5, April 9, May 7, June 4, July 9, August NO MEETING, September 10, October 1, November 12, December 3, 2025, and January 14, 2026.

AGENDA ITEMS:

1. Roll Call of CTEC Members: Marty McHugh (Township Committee liaison), Jessica Romeo (Chair), Vacant 1, Amy Mason, Vacant 2, Celeste Fondaco, Lisa McHugh (Vice Chair), Vacant (Planning Board liaison), Pat Wells (alternate 1), Steve Gesell (alternate 2)
2. Public Meeting Statement (see above)
3. Approve Meeting Minutes of September 10, 2025
4. Green Team updates – Activities that CTEC manages are all part of the Green Team, including Sustainable Jersey
5. Sustainability Fair Recap. Great job Pat!
6. Adopt a drain – ideas for generating signups and participation
7. Misc – invasive species ID walk with Joanne Lockwood White; showcasing Shunpike Grove at the ANJEC Environmental Congress on Oct 10; OS liaison; recruitment for CTEC
8. Tree Ordinance – updates from Lisa/Steve on preliminary discussions with the Township
9. Reports:
 - a. Township Committee – Marty McHugh
 - b. Planning Board –
 - c. Open Space – meeting held on 9/30. JR shared EC feedback to survey questions.

- d. Education and Outreach –
- e. Invasive Species – Jessica Romeo
- f. Social Media – Jessica Romeo
- g. Website –
- h. Pollinator / Native Gardens – Jessica Romeo
- i. Grants – all

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/geoweb splash.htm> - use Internet Explorer.
- Very good Morris County mapping utility at <https://morrisgisapps.co.morris.nj.us/apps/parcelsearcher/> , 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 <https://mcweb1.co.morris.nj.us/MCTaxBoard/>.
- View open space and Green Acres properties at <https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/ga50/docs/roslite.pdf> and <https://www.state.nj.us/dep/greenacres/openspace.html>.