

EDISON TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION (ETEC)

4/18/24 @ 7:00pm

-AGENDA-

Meeting Facilitator: **Sally Yabra(Chair)**

ETEC Members Present: **Maria Orchid, Tom White, David Weintraub, Charles Backman**

Guests Present: **Robert Alluck, Esther Barcun**

Student Representatives Present: **Pannaga Kosaraju(JPS), Jorik Saramba(EHS),
Gnaneswar Allu(EHS)**

I.) Call To Order-

☒ II.) Roll Call

II.) Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting (3/21//24)- **Motion:** David, **Second:** Maria,
Unanimous Vote Yes 5-0.

III.) Student Representative Updates-

A. Jorik Saramba (EHS)- No updates

B. Pannaga(JPS)- No new updates. They are starting to get carrots and have
some other vegetables.

V.) Old Business-

A. Student Project Grant Opportunities: We need to schedule a Committee Meeting.

B. Review- Earth Day Clean-Ups and Events- Discussing the potential of hosting our own
Summer Event separate from the Health Dept.

C. ECGI Updates- Dwyer Park- All beds are sold out.

VI.) New Business-

- A. ETEC Partnership/ Stakeholders List-** We need to make a list of contributors, partners, stakeholders, and sister groups in Edison and in the towns around us.
- B. NJAC Fees-** Sonia paid the bill.
- C. ETEC Calendar Updates & Revisions- Finalizing Clean-Up Schedule/ Important Dates**
- D. Pollinator Gardens-**
 - a. End of Lafayette Ave. An unknown piece of land.
 - b. 2 beds at Swales
 - c. Dwyer- In process as an Eagle Scout Project.
 - d. Silver Lake Pollinator Garden.
- E. New Environmental Commission Applicants- Potentially adding Robert.**
- F. Adopt a Park Program-**
- G. Swales Farmers Market-** Another Health Department project. Market is underway on Thursdays. We need more signage
- H. Edison NJ Tree Planting-** see above. Still waiting on tree info.

VII.) Open Space-

- A. Walter was not in attendance today.

VIII.) Public Comments-

- **Robert Aluck-** Marine Biologist and now part of a non-profit. Lives by Swales park. Happy that there is planting but they are all exotic plants. He wants to get involved with these types of projects.

IX.) Our next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2024.