

Town of Pompey
ECC Minutes
1/3/2025
Live via Zoom
7:00 mtg began

ATTENDEES: Chair: Phil George , Deputy Chair: Kathy Bertuch

Adam Scalisi, Stan Gorman, Craig Dennis, Beth Aust, Paulie Drexler, Martha Viglietta, John Herrington,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Approval of November meeting minutes.

Recording secretary for January: Beth Aust

UPDATES (Chair)

1. Pompey Town Supervisor Mark Nardella resigned in December, no new updates on a new town supervisor at this time.
2. No updates on the Town's social media policy currently.
3. The ECC Annual report is a requirement for the ECC to provide the Town with our activities of the year. Phil created a draft, reviewed by members of the ECC committee. Stan offers recommendations on additions to the report and will send to Phil to revise. Martha shares her enthusiasm for all the ECC has accomplished in 2024.
4. Deputy chair offers no updates currently.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business at this time. The ECC has not received any items to review from the Town Board.

CONTINUING BUSINESS:

A. Seasonal Community Contests

1. Pumpkin carving contest – current

- Paulie sent the gift card to the winning pumpkin carving contest to the winner.

2. The Snowman Contest is back

- “Snowman “contest – Members (focused on the children) of the community will submit photos of their snowman in the month of February by emailing them to the town website.
- The Town website will showcase the submissions.
- After voting at the March ECC meeting, the winners will also be announced on the website.
- Publicizing the contest: Adam will be updating the past contests flyer and email to the ECC members for each of us to share on our own social media.

- Publicizing the contest: Chair previously discussed with Beth, who emailed Jean Gasparini (jgasparini@fabiuspompey.org) to update the community in the Fabius Pompey District newsletter. Jean responded and confirmed that it will go out in the January newsletter which will be mailed out at the end of January before the February event.
- The winner will receive a gift card to a local business TBD.

3. Town of Pompey Calendar Photo Contest

- Adam opened the discussion for clarity surrounding the rules and logistics of the calendar photo contest.
- Discussion determined: Open to all members of the community – created to engage with more adults in the community (as we have the snowman and pumpkin carving geared more so toward the children) to participate in submitting photos of Pompey to the ECC for a yearly calendar we can sell to support the ECC and Earth Day.
- The group discussed the possibility of working with the town historical society and have voting at the “Strawberry Social” vs the ECC “Earth Day”. As the calendar will support the ECC and Earth Day, it was decided we will have the voting at our Earth Day event.
- After discussion: Rules of contest: No age requirement, 1 photo submission per person, Photo must be in Town of Pompey, photos to be submitted digitally via the town email.
- Publicizing the contest: We can notify the community in the Fabius Pompey District newsletter. John or Beth or Kathy (TBD) can email Jean Gasparini (jgasparini@fabiuspompey.org) by February 1, 2025 so this is in the March District newsletter.
- Publicizing the contest: Adam will create the flyer digitally and share with the ECC members to share on their social media.
- Photo prints: For consistency and quality of prints-The ECC will print 8 x 10 (or standard format size determined) of each photo to be on display during Earth day where the community can vote as well as have the digital images of submissions scrolling on a TV screen at the event.
- Voting: Depending on the number of photos received, we will determine if internal ECC voting will need to take place before the public voting which will take place at the Earth Day celebration for the public to vote on.

B. Earth Day 2025

- Confirmed date Saturday, April 26, 2025.

- The chair will reach out to the Town Board to confirm our budget for signs, etc.
- Martha has done an amazing job reaching out to several vendors and has confirmed most to return to this year's event. She is still awaiting a response from a few.
- Martha discussed other logistics including traffic cones/using our cars as started cars for parking, battery collection, shredding set up, and tires.
- Group discussed having health/environment related vendor/speakers available for environmental related health concerns like poison ivy, Lyme disease, radon exposure, etc. Woodford Brothers although there for sales did offer education on Radon last year. Tick/Lyme awareness: Paulie has a connection she will reach out to and Martha will reach out to Cornell Cooperative extension.
- Adam will donate seeds again for the event.
- Phil is working on having an observation beehive.
- Beth spoke with Peter Wilder, a science teacher at FP CSD who will take TWO of his classes/clubs and volunteer at Earth Day. One will sell coffee/donuts and provide an educational experience TBD. The other group will offer face painting/rock painting. ECC confirmed rock painting will be a better option. Beth will follow up and confirm.
- Craig has offered to obtain about 50 - earth cleaned, smooth, palm size rocks for painting. Alternatively, we could purchase.
- Beth Has spoken with Fabius Pompey girl scout troop leader - whom will be more than happy to have the girl scouts sell cookies - if able (depends on the NYPENN dates for selling-TBD).
- Paulie has spoken with the Boy Scouts and they will offer a can collection/drive.
- Paulie has ordered 500 trees and possibly bringing a new lamb-if has one.
- The cannon does take up space however unsure if it can be moved, may need to work around it.
- Raffle: Paulie will donate a gift certificate, Martha will donate a birdhouse, Adam will donate a flower subscription.
- New signage: Adam and Matha will collaborate on the signage that we need (including the tree table, raffle table, and a sign for the lobby explaining what the ECC is and does) as Adam can create these signs digitally. Stan may be able to have the signs printed.
- Publicizing the event: Martha can email emailed Jean Gasparini (jgasparini@fabiuspompey.org) by February 1, 2025 so this is in the March District newsletter and again 3/1 for April newsletter.

C Review Master Plans

- Kathy- no updates and on hold at this time, pending new Town Supervisor.

D. Cell Towers

- Stan-No updates at this time. He is attempting to make contact for further discussion with the Town Assessor, Brian Fitts.
- Stan intends to review local laws including Article #165-10 'Local telecommunications facilities policy'. to review testing and compliance specifically with RF testing. Stan shared concerns of the commercial cell tower located at Sevier Hill in which one of the towers appears to be falling down, he intends to bring this to the next Town Board meeting.

E. Community Engagement

- Town social media policy – no updates.
- Fabius Pompey District newsletter contact- Jean Gasparini and her email is jgasparini@fabiuspompey.org to update the community in the Fabius Pompey District newsletter. Articles to be submitted by the 1st of the prior month of publication. Example: Submit by 2/1/25 for the March newsletter.
- ECC members can continue to share on their social media.

NEXT MEETING: 2/6/2025 7:00 pm