



## TOWNSHIP OF BLAIRSTOWN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

106 Route 94  
Blairstown, NJ 07825

**AGENDA: OCTOBER 1, 2014 MEETING**

**Special Meeting with the Blairstown Open Space Committee at 7:00 pm. Our regular meeting to start at 7:30 pm.**

### **Topic for Open Space Committee:**

Looking for input from OSC following BEC contact with NJDEP-Parks & Recreation about trying to get permission to allow a local farmer to cut the upper field part of the Jones Farm. This is approximately 12-15 acres that comprises the flat field along Rte. 94. The field has not been taken care of and is turning into an unsightly mess. The farmer hopes to get a five (x5) year lease in order to cut the hay twice a year after the field returns back to a hay field. This would require permission from the NJDEP Parks & Recreation as well as from the Twp. Committee. In advance of meeting, Recreation Director will be contacted for feedback and invited to join the meeting.

(This has been in the works for over 5 months and just last Thursday afternoon came together after getting a phone call return from the NJDEP Parks & Recreation Director, Mr. Steven Ellis.)

### Agenda for Environmental Commission

1. Open Meeting / Call to Order

*This meeting has been advertised in a newspaper of general circulation as to the time and place in accordance with the "Open Public Meetings Act."*

2. Roll Call

Tom Dust, Carolyn Fenton, Barbara Green, Patricia Gunther, Robert Merrifield, Joseph Wargo, Harry Price (Chairman), Paul Avery (Twp. Comm. Liaison)

3. Approval of Minutes - September, 2014

4. Continuing Business

**Follow up about solar project for Twp.** Working with Ted Rodman, the Twp. Engineer – progress.

**Paulina Dam report.** No word from the Twp. Comm. about any direction that they are considering?

5. New Business

Date needs to be set for the fall road-side clean up and who is participating.

6. Correspondence

Follow up article from last month about the EPA and private land grab:

<http://dailycaller.com/2014/08/28/is-the-epa-preparing-for-a-massive-private-land-grab/#ixzz3BhMGPxQR>

Article about the “Myth of our ice melting to support global warming”?

[http://joemiller.us/2014/09/myth-arctic-meltdown-satellite-images-show-ice-cap-thicker-covers-1-7-million-square-kilometres-2-years-ago-despite-al-gores-prediction-ice-free-now/?utm\\_source=JoeMiller.US+List&utm\\_campaign=61d8d104e0-RSS\\_EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_065b6c381c-61d8d104e0-231048633](http://joemiller.us/2014/09/myth-arctic-meltdown-satellite-images-show-ice-cap-thicker-covers-1-7-million-square-kilometres-2-years-ago-despite-al-gores-prediction-ice-free-now/?utm_source=JoeMiller.US+List&utm_campaign=61d8d104e0-RSS_EMAIL_CAMPAIGN&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_065b6c381c-61d8d104e0-231048633)

Article about what the EPA proposes to protect “Big Business”

At our expense.

<http://netrightdaily.com/2014/09/new-epa-killer-coolant-regs-crony-boon-dupont/>

7. Public Comment

8. Adjournment

**The BEC meeting will be held at the Blairstown Municipal Building, Route 94, at 7:30 PM  
Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month except for July and August**