Avalon Environmental Commission

April 17, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Chairman Reynolds. Flag salute. Roll call.

**Present:** Kevin Coyle, Joe Dvorak, Debanne Macaluso, Brian Reynolds, Donna Rothman

**Absent:** Steve Malyszka, Beth Tipping

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2018 meeting was by Joe Dvorak and seconded by Debanne Macaluso.

An update of the trees for the Tree Planting Grant was made by Brian Reynolds. It was originally suggested to plant 101 trees throughout the Borough. The LOMAX Consulting Group and Public Work decided to postpone the planting in the business district. They believe the cost will be too extreme and another grant may be applied for at a later date. They agreed upon 81 trees to be planted at Grace O’Brien Park, Public Works, Bayfront Park, 8th street, 12th street, north of 30th Street, Bay Park Marina at 53rd Street, the Kayak Park, and the Dune Drive islands between 36th and 71st Street. Public Works is to find sources and prices of the approved list of trees. The list includes Hackberry, Honeylocust, Southern Red Oak, Willow Oak, Leyland Cypress, Red Cedar, Serviceberry, Crape Myrtle, Southern Magnolia, and Japanese Tree Lilac. Kevin Coyle asked when the plating will begin. Brian Reynolds stated the planting will begin before the end of May. It may be difficult for Public Works to water the trees because they do not have a tanker. It is suggested the Borough Landscaper helps Public Works with the planting. The Taylor Design Group and LOMAX Consulting group is to contact the source of the grant for a time extension if necessary.

Review of the Nazarian DVMP Project located at 22nd Street. The trees adjacent to the boardwalk have been tagged for removal. It is believed the property owner has removed Japanese Black Pines on the property. The project should be underway as soon as the MOA has been received.

Update of the illegally cut trees at 63rd Street. The neighbor has showed interest in sponsoring the replanting and would like to plant more than what was cut. Waiting on the DVMP from the property owner to begin the project.

Chuck McDonald spoke with Brian Reynolds and stated he has heard someone cutting trees in the Dunes at 32nd Street. The police have been notified and believe it to be the property owner.

4099 Bayberry Drive. Ten Eastern Cedars have been planted with irrigation. The project has been completed.

Adjournment at ­4:45 pm.