Avalon Environmental Commission

May 15, 2018

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

**Present**: Kevin Coyle, Joe Dvorak, Steve Malyszka, Brian Reynolds, Donna Rothman, Beth Tipping

**Absent:** Debanne Macaluso

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2018 meeting was made by Brian Reynolds and seconded by Donna Rothman. Approved by all.

Update on the trees for the Tree Grant project. A meeting was held with Scott Wahl, Scott Taylor and Public Works. Exact locations of tree planting needs to be done before the project can begin. Scott Taylor is to meet with Bill Macomber and Steve Camp to discuss the locations. Bill will get quotes from contractors who may help with the project. Water bags will be placed around the trunks of the new trees for irrigation, except in Kayak Park and will be refilled when needed.

Discussion of vegetation around in-ground pools. Majority of vegetation is in planters that can be moved when needed or wanted to. Donna feels it should be permanent vegetation around all pools.

Brian talked about the use of plastic bags brought to attention by Martha Wright. Martha believes the use of bags should be banned so that the environment does not get polluted. More information needs to be brought up about who will enforce the regulations.

The Borough will use a grant for the Terrapin Park to prevent turtles from crossing Ocean Drive.

The pruning at 37th and 39th Street have been completed and approved by Aaron Baker.

Still waiting on the MOA for the 22nd Street project.

Adjournment at 4:50 pm.