KNOWLTON TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
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AGENDA

Regular Meeting — Tuesday, October 6, 2026 — 6:30 pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **OPMA STATEMENT**
4. **ROLL CALL**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES — August 18, 2026 Work Session; September 1, 2026 Regular Meeting; September 15, 2026 Work Session**
6. **AGENDA PRIORITIZATION**
7. **OLD / CONTINUING BUSINESS**
   a. Bylaws
   b. Community Events — Knowlton Community Day (October 24); Explore Warren History Trail at Ramsaysburg (November 7); new event banner and tag line
   c. 2026 Goals & Sustainable Jersey Action Work Plan
      - New Sustainable Jersey Actions for adoption — Knowlton Bird and Bat House Habitat Project; Knowlton Wildlife Watch; Community Solar Outreach Initiative; Knowlton Delaware Water Gap Scenic Byway Designation Initiative; Knowlton Municipal Facilities Energy Efficiency Initiative
      - Sustainable Jersey Action updates — Knowlton Township Recycling Program; Trail Committee
      - Year-End Planning — 2027 Action List & Budget
      - Pending — new and old ideas
   d. Question List for the Township Committee Liaisons
   e. Commission & Green Team Roster and Distribution Lists
   f. ANJEC Conference (September 25) — report
8. **LAND USE BOARD MATTERS**
   a. Land Use Board Application Review Subcommittee
   b. Draft EC Land Use Board Review Checklist
   c. Paxos — residential garage requiring a variance (optional)
   d. Hope–Honey Run Road farm driveway access — Verizon cell tower (optional)
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
   a. Work Session Scope (to be carried to November 17)
   b. Data Center Noise Concern (resident request)
   c. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle First Policy
10. **TOWNSHIP REFERRALS**
    a. Land Use Board — see Item 8
    b. Township Committee — see Item 7.g (Questions for the Township Committee Liaisons)
    c. Friends of Ramsaysburg — Scavenger Hunt handout

11. **CORRESPONDENCE:**
12. **INTERESTING STUFF, IN THE NEWS & HOW IT RELATES TO KNOWLTON EC–NKGT MISSIONS**
    - Upper Mount Bethel Township — data center MOU decision and zoning ordinance changes
    - Raritan Township community solar program for JCP&L customers (WRNJ Radio)
    - ANJEC Fall Report
13. **DATES TO KEEP IN MIND:**
    a. EC–NKGT
       - Oct 20 — Work Session
       - Nov 3 — General Election Day — No Meeting
       - Nov 17 — Regular Meeting
       - Dec 1 — Regular Meeting
       - Dec 15 — Work Session
    b. Knowlton Events
       - Sat., Oct 24 — Knowlton Community Day
       - Sat., Nov 7 — Explore Warren History Trail — Ramsaysburg Historic Homestead (10–4)
    c. Township Committee
       - Oct 26 — Township Committee Meeting
    d. Beyond Knowlton Events
       - May 7, 2027 — Sustainable Jersey Sustainability Summit (Holmdel)
14. **2027 GRANTS**
    - ANJEC Open Space Stewardship Grant
    - Sustainable Jersey – PSEG Foundation municipal grants
15. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**
16. **ADJOURNMENT:**

🌿 **Environment:** The interconnected natural resources and human activities within Knowlton Township that affect land, water, air, ecological integrity, public health, safety, welfare, and quality of life.

🌿 **KTEC:** The mission of the Knowlton Township Environmental Commission is to promote the preservation of Knowlton's unique rural character by guiding the community in protecting natural resources, advancing environmental sustainability, enhancing quality of life, and strengthening our relationship with the environment for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations.

🌿 **NKGT:** The mission of the Naturally Knowlton Green Team is to engage residents through education and outreach to build a vibrant, resilient, and connected community.

🌿 **References:**

- Master Plan: Master Plan – Knowlton Township, New Jersey
- Township Ordinances Table of Contents - Township of Knowlton, NJ
- Sustainable Jersey: https://www.sustainablejersey.com/
- Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions (ANJEC): ANJEC – Local Environment Matters

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