

***Meeting Minutes***  
***Berkeley Heights Grants Committee***  
***April 7, 2022***

Called to order at 7:30 p.m. online through Zoom

**Attending:**

Doug Birbrower, Kelly Boyette, Yelena (Helen) Lyudmilova, Rich Lander, Susan Poage

Doug chaired the meeting.

**Actions:**

- Scheduled next meeting for May 11 at 7:30 p.m. by Zoom

**Summary:**

- Met with BHPD, BHVRS, BHPL (Doug)
- We have two new members: Rich Lander and Alvaro Medeiros
- We submitted two new grants: Whole Kids and American Water
- We are working on four grants: Sinise, FM Global, NJDEP and ANJEC
- We are researching grants for trails, a generator for the BHVRS, and for equipment for the BHPD.
- Our new long-term project is to achieve the “We Value Our Veterans” Award (this is a certification and award) by achieving 145 points (we have 70).

## **Discussion:**

- Whole Kids grant submitted March 11 (Kelly)

We needed to use the BHPAL 501(c)3 to submit this grant for the Children's Community Garden. Our proposal focused on the use of the garden by special needs kids. We won't find out the award until September. Value of grant: \$3,000.

- American Water grant submitted April 7 (Doug and Helen)

Since 2016 the Township has been addressing the threat of the emerald ash borer by treating ash trees along the right of way in the Township. The program was funded through a grant program that was discontinued. We worked with the BHEC which is the steward of the ash tree treatment program. We should find out of any award before the end of April. Value of grant: \$8,500.

- "We Value Our Veterans" (Kelly)

Kelly went over the point system and opportunities to achieve points going forward.

- Spreadsheet and shared folder updates (Doug and Helen)

Helen continues to improve the spreadsheet. Doug organized the shared folder.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.