

FRELINGHUYSEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
Minutes of Meeting of May 19, 2008

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called o order by Shelley Scoleri, Chairperson, at 7:40 pm.

**Announcement of Proper Notice**

Notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice at the Township Municipal Building in Johnsonburg, and advertising in the New Jersey Herald and Star Gazette, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. As advertised, action may be taken at this meeting.

**Attendance**

**Present:** Shelley Scoleri, Bill Crone, Maureen Cullen (7:45 pm), Rich Dericks, Sister Miriam Mac Gillis, Robin Randolph and Russ Walters

**Absent:** Alan DeCarolis

**Minutes**

Robin Randolph made a motion to approve the revised March 24, 2008 minutes, seconded by Bill Crone – all in favor, aye. Russ Walters abstained.

Russ Walters made a motion to approve the April 28, 2008 minutes, seconded by Bill Crone – all in favor, aye. Sister Miriam Mac Gillis, Robin Randolph, Rich Dericks and Shelley Scoleri abstained.

**Public Comment**

**Old Business**

Superfund Cleanup – Greendell road

- Waiting to hear from the township attorney.

Solar Panels

- Handed paper to all regarding Blirstown Township Committee having their 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the proposed ordinance to regulate solar panels. Ms. Randolph will try to obtain a copy of that revised ordinance.
- Sister Miriam told of lecture given at Genesis Farms on Energy by Mark Warner of Sun farm Network. Sister Miriam would like to see him do a presentation for the 5 surrounding towns. She will get a date and time set up and will invite the surrounding towns (Blirstown, Knowlton, Hardwick, Hope and extend to Green, Stillwater, Fredon and Allamuchy) environmental and Township Committees. Sister will also send a copy of the letter and agreement that the mayors all signed for Global Climate change.

Environmental Mission Statement

- Needs to be in compliance with the state. Shelley Scoleri will start working on it and send to everyone on email for changes/deletions.

## **New Business**

### Meetings (June/July/August)

- After discussion with the members there will be a meeting in June but none in July and August, unless something comes up for the group. In that case, Donna Zilberfarb will get in touch with everyone and let them know of the meeting.
- Sister Miriam requested that the "draft" minutes be sent via email prior to each meeting. Ms. Zilberfarb will start emailing the "draft" minutes for everyone's review prior to each meeting.

### Recycling

- Maureen Cullen handed Ms. Scoleri information on a recycling can that could be used at the recreation fields in town. She will find out the cost and will try to get for Founders Day.

### Native/Invasive Plants

- Ms. Randolph handed to all members present a copy of 5 book recommendations for the library in the town hall. She will purchase 4 of the books and the cost will be split with Open Space. Cost should be approximately \$50.00 per committee.
- Sister Miriam donated "The Transition Handbook from Oil Dependency to Local Resilience" to the Environmental Commission. When the copy comes in, it will go into our library in the town hall.

### Genetic Engineering Film

- Carry to June 23, 2008 meeting

## **Planning Board Report (Robin Randolph)**

- Application for Site Plan for Shonk property
- Small subdivision – Angelieri on the extension across the street from the town hall. Looking at lot size averaging and waiting on Angelieri.
- Passed a well ordinance for large buildings.

## **Open Space Report (Robin Randolph)**

- Adam Asenza – watershed ambassador for the upper Delaware will be giving a presentation to the Open Space meeting on June 4, 2008 at 7 pm. All environmental members were invited. Ms. Zilberfarb will send an email to remind them of the meeting.
- A letter was sent to Governor Corzine, Assemblywoman Marcia Karrow, Assemblyman Michael Doherty, and Senator Lance in support of stopping park closures. Ms. Zilberfarb will send a copy of letter to everyone.

## **Zoning Board Report (Russ Walters)**

- No meeting this month
- Waiting on Kids Camp
- Waiting on Route 94 – Marksboro – 10 units

## **NJ Forestry Management Plan (Bill Crone)**

- Nancy Nicholoff found an arborist from Hanover Township to be the consultant. She is currently working on their plan and will check back in midsummer for updates.

## **Correspondence**

All correspondence was reviewed – No action was taken.

- Warren County Environmental Commission – May 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting

Township of Frelinghuysen  
<http://www.frelinghuysen-nj.us>

- Morris Land Conservancy - Membership
- Ridge and Valley Conservancy – National Trails Day Hike
- County of Warren Engineer Office – Main Street Johnsonburg
- Township Committee – Written Communications Resolution and Policy

**Adjournment**

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Russ Walters, seconded by Rich Dericks to adjourn the meeting. All members present were in favor of adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Donna Zilberfarb  
Environmental Commission Secretary