

FRELINGHUYSEN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting of October 27, 2008

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Shelley Scoleri, Chairperson, at 7:45 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, Maureen Cullen, Alan DeCarolis and Rich Dericks

Absent: Bill Crone, Russ Walters, and Robin Randolph

Minutes

Alan DeCarolis made a motion to approve the September 22, 2008 minutes, seconded by Rich Dericks – all in favor, aye.

Public Comment

Old Business

Superfund Cleanup – Greendell road

- Carry to November 24, 2008 meeting

Environmental Commission Mission Statement

- Ms. Scoleri will have something by the end of the year and she will talk with Sister Miriam MacGillis for her input.

Recycling Containers

- Alan DeCarolis contacted Stillwater and Green Townships to try to co-purchase the containers to save on shipping costs. Frank Desiderio will check with the DPW and get back to Mr. DeCarolis.

Native/Invasive Plant Books

- Maureen Cullen has received 3 of the 4 books for free. Ms. Cullen will bring the books to Brenda Kleber this week along with a sign out sheet in a 3 ring binder for anyone wishing to borrow the books. She will also advertise the books in the Mustang Messenger at the elementary school. The 4th book will be purchased after we see how the other books are utilized. Mr. DeCarolis offered to purchase the book for the township when the time arrives (approximately \$27.00).

New Business

Sister Miriam MacGillis

- Sister MacGillis had recently emailed Ms. Scoleri regarding her availability to be at the meetings. After discussion, Ms. Scoleri sent a letter back to Sister MacGillis excusing her from the commission. Ms. Scoleri did ask Sister MacGillis to be a consultant for us as she has the knowledge base that we need. Sister MacGillis agreed and when needed at a meeting Ms. Scoleri will let her know.

Ms. Scoleri will wait to fill the vacancy until January when the new appointments are made. Alan DeCarolis suggested getting Bernita Radabaugh back.

Christmas Trees

- Ms. Cullen inquired about bringing any Christmas trees to the town hall for chipping. Ms. Zilberfarb will contact Bill Crone or Frank Desiderio to find out what this entails.

Action Items

- Ms. Scoleri would like to add a section to the minutes pertaining to action items. Ms. Scoleri feels that we need to hold more emphasis on what's being done. She gave Ms. Zilberfarb a copy of what she utilizes at work. Ms. Zilberfarb will bring a draft of action items to the November meeting.

Planning Board Report (A. DeCarolis in R. Randolph's absence)

- There was no meeting in October

Open Space Report (Maureen Cullen)

- Site visit to Reisberg property went well per Robin Randolph.

Zoning Board Report (D. Zilberfarb per B. Kleber in R. Walters' absence)

- Kids Camp – has modified their plan to only build a splash pad.
- Coming in November will be an application to build a 10 unit – 55 years or older restricted community in Marksboro.
- An application to build a 3rd accessory apartment on Lincoln Laurel Road.

NJ Forestry Management Plan (Bill Crone)

- Carry to the November 24, 2008 meeting.

Correspondence

All correspondence was reviewed – No action was taken.

- Letter and response – Sister Miriam MacGillis
- Application for Variance - #2008-03; DiCarlo
- Resolution #08-05 – Shonk
- Resolution #08-04 – Midkiff
- Application for Johansson Property

Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Maureen Cullen, seconded by Alan DeCarolis to adjourn the meeting. All members present were in favor of adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb
Environmental Commission Secretary