

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES – January 11, 2010
APPROVED, February 8, 2010 as Amended

Joseph Speeney called the meeting to order in the First Floor Conference Room of Bernards Township Municipal Building, One Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, New Jersey at 7:52 p.m. in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975.

ROLL CALL

Present: Paula Axt Stephen Brown-Klinger John Malay
 Betsy Schulenburg Joseph Speeney Jennifer Viola
 Robert Vogt

Absent: Bert Fonde Shiva Raju

Guests: Tom Fitzsimons (L8:23pm), Patch.com

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Paula Axt, second by Robert Vogt to accept the minutes of December 11, 2010. All were in favor, motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Meeting Date for Training.**
 - The Environmental Commission would like to watch the DVD entitled “The Rights and Duties Of A Volunteer In Local Government” at the February meeting.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Natural Resources Inventory (NRI)-Plan of Action**—Tom Fitzsimons is still working on the project. Paula Axt will be working with the NRI computer during the meetings as Tom Fitzsimons stepped down from the Environmental Commission.
- **Pesticide Concerns**--Joseph Speeney would like to add the Little League Complex under Pesticide Concerns on the agenda. Joe Speeney with Aramark’s representative will ask the school board to make a formal declaration that they are not using lawn pesticides on school lawns and sports fields.
- **Quarry—Update**—None.
- **Open Space Stewardship**—Tom Fitzsimons passed out a list of open space properties to the Environmental Commission members.

DEP Applications

- **PSE&G Multi-Permit Application for vegetative maintenance and utility maintenance in wetland areas**
 - The Environmental Commission has no comments at this time.
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Development Applications

Planning Board

- **Fellowship Village, Inc.—8000 Fellowship Rd; Block 9301, Lot 33**
The Environmental Commission has no comments at this time.
- **Jaffa Building—16 & 20 Harvest Way.; Block 11401, Lot 37&36**
The Environmental Commission has no comments at this time.

Board of Adjustment

- **Hodges—177 Lord Stirling Rd.; Block 3201, Lot 6**
The Environmental Commission has no comments at this time.
- **Antogiovanni—39 Woodstone Rd.; Block 3201, Lot 6**
The Environmental Commission would like to reiterate their prior November 16, 2009 comments in regards to the tree replacement plan. The Environmental Commission would like the plans to note the five trees being removed.
- **Tancredi—125 Church St.; Block 7302, Lot 8**
The Environmental Commission has no comments at this time.

Public Comment

None.

Member Comment

Paula Axt mentioned there is a pest currently in Pennsylvania and is expected to move across the state and into New Jersey that will destroy Ash Trees.

Adjournment

Motion made by Paula Axt, second by Robert Vogt to adjourn the meeting at 9:35 p.m.
All in agreement, motioned passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Frankle, Recording Secretary