



Bernards Township Environmental Commission



BERNARDS TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES – March 9, 2020 – 7pm

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Ann Parsekian called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM in the Owen Conference Room of the Bernards Township Municipal Building, 1 Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge, NJ in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act of 1975.

FLAG SALUTE

All those assembled saluted the flag.

ROLL CALL

Present: John Crane, James LaMaire, Mahwish Mustafa, Ann Parsekian

Absent: Jane Conklin, Nancy Cook, Debra DeWitt, Joan Harris, Alice Smyk

Also Present: Todd Edelstein – Resident (arrived 7:23 pm) , Samantha Schuchman – RHS Student

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Motion to approve EC regular meeting minutes – February 10 , 2020 by Mahwish Mustafa , second by John Crane. All in favor, motion carried.

REPORTS & MISCELLANEUS CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Long Hill Minutes

No comments

- b. ZB20-001-Verizon Wireless-Flood Hazard Area Determination

No comments

- c. 213 Liberty Corner Rd-Flood Hazard Area Individual Permit application

No comments

OLD BUSINESS

- a. **MARTIN & BERMAN – PB-19-006 - additional docs**-Minor Subdivision and C Variance

Application incomplete. No review.



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b. **MOYE-PB-17-001-B1140, L11-11 Mountain Rd**-Minor Subdivision

Comments to be prepared regarding wetland markers and recharge for driveway.

Motion by James LaMaire, seconded by Mahwish Mustafa

All in favor, motion carried.

c. **NY SMSA LLP dba VERIZON WIRELESS-B803, L2,3,5,6
&23-Additional Submissions**-300 N Maple Ave-Pre/final site plan, d-1 use
variance, side yard setback to install 6 wireless communication test nodes (5G)

No comments.

Motion by John Crane, seconded by James LaMaire

All in favor, motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

a. **Applications**

ii. **MUIR-ZB20-003-14 Forest Trail**-Side yard/combined side yard setback and
relief for max impervious coverage for proposed garage and replacement
shed.

Comments to be prepared for lot coverage and to promote stormwater
infiltration.

Motion by Mahwish Mustafa, seconded by John Crane

All in favor, motion carried.

iii. **SWEET PEA FARMS-ZB20-004-48 Kings Ridge Rd.**-Min lot frontage &
min lot width to construct new residential dwelling.

Comments to be prepared regarding steep slope calculation, wetland markers
and a tree survey.

Motion by James LaMaire, seconded by Mahwish Mustafa

iv. **HAYWORTH-ZB20-005-10 Depot Pl.**-Replace existing 1 car garage with 2
car garage-Relief for accessory structure in front yard.

No environmental concerns.

Motion by James LaMaire, seconded by Mahwish Mustafa



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All in favor, motion carried.

b. 2020 Reusable Bag Design Challenge

Ann Parsekian said Township Administrator, Pat Monaco approved a bag design challenge for 2020. Mahwish Mustafa volunteered to organize the challenge.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Todd Edelstein discussed his concerns with the plastic water bottles for Charter Day.

COMMENTS BY MEMBERS

Ann Parsekian announced that there will be a new secretary will be starting in the middle of April. There will be a limited run of plastic water bottles available for Charter Day. There was a discussion of revisiting the budget to allow for other purchases. Ann Parsekian read a memo she planned to send to the Somerset County Freeholders regarding the recycling of thin plastic film. Ann Parsekian asked for volunteers for Charter Day.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:31 PM. Motion by John Crane, second by Ann Parsekian. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Kaitlin Cartoccio, Meeting Secretary



Bernards Township Environmental Commission

TO: Zoning Board Chairperson and Members

FROM: Ann Parsekian, Chairperson
Bernards Township Environmental Commission

DATE: March 16, 2020

RE: Applications review

The Environmental Commission reviewed these applications at their March 9, 2020 meeting and forwards the following comments.

NY SMA LLP dba VERIZON WIRELESS – ZB20-001 300 North Maple Avenue

The Environmental Commission has reviewed additional submissions for this application and has no environmental concerns at this time.

MUIR – ZB20-003 14 Forest Trail

The Environmental Commission has reviewed this application and offers the following comments. The EC notes that the proposed lot coverage exceeds the maximum permitted amount. Site drainage is the concern with this application, therefore site features to promote stormwater infiltration should be considered. The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Green Infrastructure website is a good reference for “green” stormwater management practices for homeowners (<http://www.nj.gov/dep/gi/>). Also, any future additions such as patios, sheds, pool or any other impervious surface coverage items would require an additional development application.

SWEET PEA FARMS – ZB20-004 48 Kings Ridge Road

The Environmental Commission has reviewed this application and has no environmental concerns at this time.

HAYWORTH– ZB20-005 10 Depot Place

The Environmental Commission has reviewed this application and has no environmental concerns at this time.

Cc: David Schley, Township Planner
Cyndi Kiefer, Secretary; for distribution to BOA members



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TO: Planning Board Chairperson and Members

FROM: Ann Parsekian, Chairperson
Bernards Township Environmental Commission

DATE: March 16, 2020

**RE: MOYE
PB17-001
11 Mountain Rd
Block 11401, L11**

The Environmental Commission reviewed this application at their March 9, 2020 meeting and submits the following comments:

Moye – PB17-001 11 Mountain Road

The Environmental Commission has reviewed this application and offers the following comments. The Commission notes the intermediate resource value wetlands on the property and reiterates Mr. Schley's comment that Township standard wetlands conservation easement boundary markers be installed prior to recording of the subdivision map or deeds. Also, the Environmental Commission would like to see recharge for the driveway depicted on the plans.

Cc: David Schley, Township Planner
Cyndi Kiefer, Secretary; for distribution to PB members