

**Woodstown Pilesgrove Joint Environmental Commission
Woodstown Borough Hall
February 12, 2009 Minutes**

Present: Andrew Grosik, Bob Howell, Jean Jack, Ervin Parker, Richard Pfeffer, Francis Rapa, John Ronafalvy, Phyllis Sauler, Bill Stoms, Jr, Rob Waddington

Absent: Stephanie Foley, Paul Langley

Also Present: Cheryl Reardon (ANJEC Representative)

Chairperson Phyllis Sauler called the meeting to order, stating that adequate notice of the meeting was provided by notifying Today's Sunbeam and posting in Woodstown Borough Hall and Pilesgrove Township Municipal Building.

Minutes

Fran Rapa/Bill Stoms motioned approval of the January 15 Reorganization minutes. Motion passed.

Rick Pfeffer/Bill Stoms motioned approval of the January 15 minutes. Motion passed.

Correspondence-None

Presentation by Thonet Associates, Environmental Consultants

John Thonet of Pittstown, Hunterdon County, introduced himself and his associate, Blaine Rothausen. Mr. Thonet, a professional engineer and professional planner, founded the South Orange Environmental Commission. He has worked on environmental issues for 29 years, mostly as a consultant to developers, but also consulting with environmental commissions. In consulting to environmental commissions, he reviews selected site plans when requested to do so by planning boards, concentrating on EIS requirements. He is contracted on a yearly basis.

Mr. Rothausen is currently Chair of the Florham Park Environmental Commission and has an extensive background in biological science.

Bill Stoms/Fran Rapa motioned that Fran Rapa request that Mr. Thonet prepare a proposal for the Planning Boards' consideration. Motion passed.

Subcommittee Reports

Site Plan Committee

High Point Estates, Block 21, Lot 6, was approved by the Pilesgrove Planning Board. Ott Property, Block 19, Lot 1.03 on Lincoln Road-A percolation test was not submitted by the developer. The wetlands line was not adequately determined in the plan.

Old Business

Member Status-Stephanie Foley has given a verbal resignation from the JEC. A written letter is required before the position can be filled.

Banner-Stephanie Foley will deliver the JEC banner to Phyllis Sauler.

Budget-Phyllis Sauler will send letters to Woodstown and Pilesgrove requesting funds.

Electronics Recycling-Bill Stoms presented information from Supreme Asset Management and Recovery, a company providing recycling services. They will provide a truck/container for recyclables.

Rick Pfeffer/Jean Jack motioned to request Pilesgrove and Woodstown to jointly pay for an Electronics Recycling Day, with the JEC preparing an informational trifold flyer for distribution. Motion passed. We will aim for Earth Day as the date for recycle.

Reusable Shopping Bags-No further work has been done regarding distributing the bags.

Eagle Nest off Route 40 on sod farm-Bob Howell will monitor the nest.

Significant Tree Search-Phyllis Sauler and Jean Jack are working with the high school Environmental Club to prepare a flyer. The deadline for nominations is April 8. Awards will be presented at an Arbor Day event on Friday, April 24.

ANJEC Commissioners' Course-The course will be held Monday, March 16, 5:30pm to 9:00pm at the Pilesgrove Township Municipal Building.

New Business

Auger System-Bob Howell offered to instruct members in the use of the Bucket-type Quick Connect Auger system for surveying soils. Fran Rapa/Bill Stoms motioned to purchase a system for up to \$200.00. Motion passed.

ANJEC Grant-Fran Rapa/Bill Stoms motioned to explore applying for an ANJEC grant to do a Threatened and Endangered survey in Woodstown and Pilesgrove. Motion passed.

Announcements/Other

Bill Stoms reported that the Salem County Open Space Advisory Committee is developing an application for people to apply for open space designation. Salem County will receive \$1,000,000.00 from the Garden State Preservation Trust. Andy Buzby is now a member of the Garden State Preservation Trust board.

The Gloucester County Nature Club and the Wenonah Environmental Commission will hold their annual East Coast Vulture Fest on Saturday, March 7, 1:00pm to 10:00pm, at Wenonah Elementary School.

Fran Rapa/John Ronafalvy motioned to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm.

Jean Hepner Jack, Secretary