

## Pittsgrove Township Environmental Commission Minutes of the Meeting of August 24, 2009

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Herb Wegner at 7:30 pm.
2. The pledge to the flag was given.
3. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was given.
4. In attendance were Members Tom Figlio, Trish Jankauskas, and Herb Wegner; Alternate members Chic Jansky and John Rapach; and guests Mayor Voros and Ron Kaysen.
5. The minutes of the July 27, 2009 meeting were approved as corrected upon a motion by Tom Figlio, seconded by John Rapach, and a unanimous vote.
6. Unfinished Business

Cluster Ordinance – The proposed amendment of the Cluster Ordinance will be further discussed by the Ordinance Review Subcommittee.

Build-out Analysis – The Build-Out analysis was discussed at the meeting. The Planning Board had voted to present the model based on the net nitrate dilution model which excludes preserved land, yielding the smallest build out, which would still add about 50% more people to our current population. Discussed was the impact that even the net dilution model would have on the number of school children, and the need to have a dedicated police force for the Township, causing a significant increase in our taxes.

### Open Space

Farmland Preservation Plan – The Sadeghian farm in the newly added Eastern Project Area had passed the State's preliminary review and appraisers we to be contracted to appraise his farm. GIS information will be developed for the farms of Norman Lenchitz, the Crystal nieces, and Edith Camp, following which their applications can be completed and forwarded to the State.

Green Acres and other Open Space – Discussed were the possibilities of preserving some of the approved developments using the Green Acres grant we have with our, or other matching funds. The Briar Hill development is nearing approval.

Willow Grove Lake – There was a meeting discussing the future of the lake, attended by Kathy Steward of Steve Sweeney's office and an historical group who asked about the history of the mill. The Nature Conservancy was not represented.

Road Cleanup – Accomplished on August 1<sup>st</sup> - thanks to Tom, Chic, Ron, John and Herb.

7. Report on area meetings/training/events. None
8. New Business: Getting a "T" shirt with a logo of our Environmental Commission was agreed upon, and Chic volunteered to come up with a logo for the shirt.
9. Upcoming events/meetings/training: None
10. Issues before the Planning Board: Briar Hill was to be getting final approval. A two Megawatt solar panel installation was being requested for the Favorito property. No word has been given of a future PB meeting with USANA-Harborsite. A question was asked about whether a farm could be called a cell farm.
11. Communications: None
12. Member Comments: Get suggestions for a logo to Chic. Ron asked whether Block 1101 Lot 33 on Sheep Pen Road, which is listed for sale, should be preserved.
13. Public Comments: None
14. The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm upon a motion by Tom Figlio, a second by John Rapach, and a unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles J. Jansky, Secretary