

# WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

## Meeting Minutes

July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2005

Bob Bevilacqua called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:38 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act at the Wenonah Community Building.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Bob Bevilacqua (Chair)	X	
Dave Kreck (V. Chair)		X
Scott Barnes (Sec.)	X	
Brian Hayes	X	
Paula Hayes	X	
Bill Schnarr		X
Bill Schramm		X

Associate Member Present: Mary Ellen Bush

Mary Ellen Bush was invited to become an Associate Member; she accepted. Minutes of June 8th meeting were approved. (Motion: P. Hayes, Second: B. Hayes)

### BUSINESS

- **Finances:** Don Ralston donated \$1000 for any purpose. A \$500 Gloucester County Improvement Authority contribution is still pending from the April Adopt-a-Road clean-up.
- **Chairman's Report:** Bob and Mary Ellen led 15 Gateway High School students on a service project to clean the Pelkington Lake area in early June.

Scott Birkland and Richard Dilks are expected to be appointed as Members at the August meeting.

A tree is impeding navigation on Mantua Creek downstream of the Trestle. We will hold a work party to clear it on Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. Meeting place will be the cul-de-sac at the end of South West Avenue.

- **Public Relations (Scott Barnes):** Web site photo galleries being reorganized for easier maintenance. More direct Synnott fundraising appeals will be made, possibly including a "thermometer" showing the current level of contributions.
- **Liason (Brian):** Gloucester County Nature Club is sponsoring a canoe and kayak event originating from Hanisey's Landing on Wednesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> (previous minutes were incorrect). The Nature Club is also holding a fern and native plant walk at Wenonah Lake on Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. Paula to confirm the dates and times for Scott.
- **Additional Comments:** Mary Ellen raised the possibility of planting or designating memorial trees for fundraising purposes. There were some concerns that this could create a cemetery-like environment. Any future landscape modifications might be subject to resistance from contributors.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:05 PM.