

WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

August 10, 2011

Rich Dilks called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:43 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act at the Wenonah Community Center.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Rich Dilks (Chair)	X	
Bob Bevilacqua (V. Chair)	X	
Scott Barnes (Sec. / Planning Bd. Rep.)		X
Bill Klaus		X
Dave Kreck	X	
Tommy Lombardo (Mayor)	X	
Chris Newman		X

Associate Member Present: Chuck Forsman

Minutes of the July 13th meeting were approved. (Motion: Kreck, Second: Lombardo, AIF)

BUSINESS

- **Chairman's Report:**

The WEC decided to take a "wait and see" approach in response to a concern by Glen Green regarding the potential for a falling tree at Clay Hill.

Dave Kreck provided an aerial drawing overlain by a tax map to determine if the Breakback Run Trail encroaches upon the property at 106 North Jackson. Upon review of the drawing, it appears as if there is no encroachment.

The WEC Members voted unanimously to decline a donation request from ANJEC.

Fall Work Party Candidates:

1. Fill Mantua Trail sinkhole with bags of stone
2. Install haybale check dams to address and erosion problem at Breakback Run Trail, near the Hayes Ave Pump Station.
3. Cut and remove fallen trees at Mantua Creek Trail (near Mullens) and at Breakback Run Trail, near Elm Street.

The WEC members elected to wait until after the Fall Work Party(ies) expenses are realized before making any budget purchases of equipment, etc.

Dave Kreck reported that runoff is diverting around the gabion check dam at #3 Shawnee Drive. It looks as if the problem can be addressed by the installation of sand bags along the side slope, where the runoff is being diverted, to plug the opening. A work party will be scheduled at next meeting.

WEC will check into obtaining free plant at Triple Oaks (Chris & Rich)

Annual Inspection of Purple Loosestrife revealed little change in biomass but leaf damage was noted.

The Friends of Maple Ridge continues to see progress in fundraising which includes the sale of T-shirts. SJL&WT is filing a funding application with Stewart Estate for \$250K. Mantua Twp is applying for a Planning Incentive Grant. Additional Grant & Fund Raising opportunities are being investigated.

An updated Land Value Assessment for Maple Ridge has not been completed yet.

Work Party at Boy Scout Island is on hold temporarily.

No additional news on Eagle Scout Projects.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:37 PM. (Motion: Bevilacqua, Second: Kreck, AIF)