

WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2013

Rich Dilks called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:30 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

Public Guest Present: Maria Ceravolo

Minutes of the June 12th meeting were approved. (Motion: Bevilacqua, Second: Barnes, AIF)

BUSINESS

- **Chairman's Report:** The Dilks Pond duckweed treatment has not been scheduled yet. A DEP permit is being obtained, which will take one to three weeks. The cost will be \$1,350 plus \$150 for the permit. Bob relayed a suggestion from Julie Ream to use kayaks to physically remove the duckweed at Comey's Lake. This would be a lot of work, and the removed material would need to be moved away from any waterways.

Dave sent an email this afternoon with updates on the Eldridge Trail project: about \$5,000 is left unspent. He is asking the DEP whether this money could be used to combat Clay Hill and Shawnee Drive erosion. He has suggested use of wattles (bio-logs), hay bales, and matting. We can't make any decisions yet, since the costs and relative advantages of these materials are not known.

Also related to Eldridge Trail: Bob wants to remove unused 4x4's from the trail and from a pile at Comey's Lake. Also, the remaining 4x4's need to be secured with lag bolts. He is calling a work party for tomorrow evening, 7/11, at 6 PM at his house.

The winners of the Student Environmental Awards (given on 6/19) were Daniel Ceravolo and Katie Martz.

The July 4th hike had 19 people and 1 dog.

Any Fire Department flushing at Dilks Pond should be held off until we have given the chemical treatments a chance to work.

The Comey's Lake fountain has been repaired at a cost of \$526, paid from Friends of Wenonah Trails, and to be reimbursed from the borough account. Tommy and Pete reinstalled the device.

- **Liaison (Scott Barnes):** Scott circulated a proposed resolution for Borough Council to urge the Freeholders to support funding of “The Circuit” and similar multi-use trails. (See *June 2013 minutes.*) Scott will submit this resolution to Council in the near future.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:17 PM. (Motion: Bevilacqua, Second: Lombardo, AIF)