

# WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes  
January 20th, 2004

Bill Schramm called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:40 PM in an unofficial meeting held at Bob Bevilacqua's house.

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

Associate Members Present: Frank Eggert, Chuck Forsman  
Minutes of December 10, 2003 meeting were approved.

## REORGANIZATION

- **Reappointment of David Kreck and Paula Hayes:** Mayor Capaldi unable to attend tonight. This could be accomplished Thursday at Council meeting.
- **Time and day of meetings:** Second Wednesday of month at 7:30 PM (unchanged).
- **Newspapers of record:** Gloucester County Times and Camden Courier-Post (unchanged).
- **Motion to approve officers, meeting times, and newspapers was approved.** Scott picks up the Secretarial pen from Bob. Noted that dust is already gathering on Bob's computer.

## OLD BUSINESS

- **Synnott's Pond:** Surveyor and environmental firm (wetlands flagging) will be giving quotes. Will need motion to formally approve quotes at February meeting. Timeframes: one month for Dave to do drawing, then three months for DEP approval. DEP permit believed to be good for 3-5 years.

Will be hard to get construction equipment in. Mid-summer is best work time unless wet. Bill Schnarr knows a location for the spoils. Neighbors want buffer trees facing Woodbury-Glassboro Road.

Cost allocation to be discussed further when labor and survey costs are known. Bob B. and Bill Schramm to get labor estimates.

- **Trail Maintenance:** Monongahela Trail relocation about half done. Frank needs four railroad ties for railings.

Bridge washout on former Mullens property. Frank stabilized bridge in new location. Driveway gravel (3/4") may be needed on the surrounding trail.

Frank to measure trail mileage in spring. Scott suggested listing of bridges, in addition.

Elderidge Trail roots are a serious problem. May need to build a berm.

Conservation Area signs are decaying; need replaced. Look for volunteers (originals were commercially produced). Estimated seven 24x24" signs, including one for Synnot.

Older part of Mantua Creek Trail very muddy. Needs sand.

- **Website:** Scott showed draft of Accomplishments page. Need WEC mission statement. Plenty of photos now.
- **Wenonah Trailhead Project:** No status; talk to Dawn.
- **Foot Traffic Only:** Reports of dirt bikes; not just at Wenonah Lake anymore.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- **5 Mile Hike:** Cooperating with Lake Association. Possibly add lake and swimming aspects, something more like a triathlon.
- **Stargazing with John Mullens:** Will be announced spur-of-the moment.
- **Tree Seedling planting:** On voice vote, approved \$300 for tree purchase.
- **Wenonah Lake parking lot bypass trail:** Bill Schramm starting work on this.
- **Planning Board report:** No meetings since last WEC meeting.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

- Next meeting (Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>): need to plan for March work party.
- Birdquest on May1st: They are looking for cosponsors. On voice vote, approved \$100 to do so.
- Frank will have a new bench: where to put it? "Beach" area facing Wenonah Lake was suggested.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:55 PM.