

WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

August 8th, 2007

Bob Bevilacqua called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:34 PM in accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act at the Community Center.

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Bob Bevilacqua (Chair)	X	
Rich Dilks (V. Chair)		X
Scott Barnes (Sec. / Planning Bd. Rep.)	X	
Scott Birkland	X	
Mary Ellen Bush		X
Dave Kreck	X	
Bill Schnarr		X

Associate Members Present: Bonnie Bell, Frank Eggert, Chuck Forsman

Public Guests Present: Anders Birkland, Austin Birkland

Minutes of July 11th, 2007 meeting were approved. (Motion: Forsman, Second: Bevilacqua)

BUSINESS

- **Chairman's Report:** Bob received thank-you notes from Kate Christensen and Connor Moran, the scholarship winners.

Bob met with Joyce Lavelle of the Westville Environmental Commission. Their E.C. is being resurrected; they are seeking advice.

- **Capital Projects (Dave Kreck):** On the Synnott's project, the Department of Environmental Protection will be making one more inspection visit. Work to address water stagnation will be scheduled for this winter or early next spring. Bob reported that rubble must be added to the Woodbury-Glassboro channel to keep erosion in check.

On Wenonah Meadows, various activities are underway. A sewer extension is planned from Stockton near the pool. Two water extensions are planned from Stockton and Linden. Demolition of the existing buildings is being held up by a dispute with the Soil Conservation District. Groundbreaking should occur in October or November. First move-ins should occur next summer or fall.

- **Public Relations (Scott Barnes):** Newsletter deadline is next Wednesday. Chuck requested that a fundraising appeal for Comey's Lake duckweed control be included. Bonnie wanted to emphasize that the growth is natural, not from an invasive species. A suggestion was made to use the scouting organizations to distribute our own direct newsletter; mailing is probably too expensive. Dave asked whether Comey's Lake could be drained regularly to control the duckweed. Chuck said that moving the dam's boards is not easy due to the age of the structure.
- **Planning Board (Scott Barnes):** Cingular (AT&T) appeared before the Board on July 23rd to request approval to add a 12 foot by 25 foot equipment cabinet at the water tower within the existing fenced area. While a new air conditioner is required, Cingular testified

that there would be “essentially no noise impact.” The Board granted Cingular preliminary approval for this change.

- **Trail Maintenance (Frank Eggert):** Frank placed 40 feet of boards on the Campbell Bypass (Monongahela Brook Trail) to address wet areas.

On the unnamed brook leading from the end of West Cherry Street, “water bar” boards that Frank previously added are starting to rot and need to be replaced.

A work party was held at Dilks’ Pond last evening. More work is needed at the pond along North Jefferson. Another work party is scheduled for this coming Tuesday the 14th.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:15 PM (Motion: Forsman, Second: Kreck)