

WENONAH ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

Meeting Minutes

October 9, 2013

Rich Dilks called the Wenonah Environmental Commission to order at 7:35 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: Frank Eggert

Public Guests Present: Maria Ceravolo, Sharon Ceravolo

Minutes of the September 11 meeting were approved. (Motion: Bevilacqua, Second: Kreck, AIF)

BUSINESS

- **Chairman's Report:** Restoring Synnott's dam would be expensive. The first step is putting the broken concrete into the hole on the west side of the dam. Need to pre-saw concrete into pieces. Requires two weekends of work with an excavator. Will stabilize banks and put in footings to hold the bridge. Dam failed due to a small splash plate. Bob will provide a proposed budget by the next meeting.

The Dilks Pond maintenance contract with Princeton Hydro expired on September 30. It cost \$1,520 for the season. The pond looks great. Tackling Comey's next year would require a bigger appropriation from the Borough.

On the Shawnee Drive erosion: Dave reported that it is worse than it was previously. Gabions are being bypassed on the south side. One vendor (North American Green) has inspected the site, plus a regional manager will visit next week. Trails grant money could be used. Must move dirt with backhoe and cut roots. Might be a bigger job than the November 2nd work party.

Bob took measurements to repair the bridge bulkhead on the Monongahela Loop Trail.

The berm at the Lenape Trail pump station is half done.

We are taking no action for now on the small bridge near the Tea House.

Bob has repaired the sink hole near the Comey's Lake dock.

Bob will clear the tree limb that fell near Hanisey's Landing.

Frank has replaced deteriorated trail rails on the Monongahela Brook Trail and leveled the trail surface. Dave will order a pallet of 4x4 boards if grant money remains after addressing Shawnee Drive erosion.

Friends of the Park had a meeting on 9/17. They will create a fund to build a bandstand cover. Replacement of diseased trees in the park was not addressed at the meeting.

A park at Maple Ridge is a virtual certainty. There was an official walk-through on 9/19. An interim maintenance agreement has been drafted. The purchase contract is being reviewed by the State. Settlement is expected in January or February, with a park opening to follow in March or April. Mowing will occur in February. The Friends group is going to become a 501(c)(3).

- **Capital Projects (Dave Kreck):** Boundary stakes have been erected around the former Lentz property on West Willow. Some stakes are close to the trail west of Cedar Street.

Bark Bridge Road repaving is complete. Dave had the contractor do some regrading at the Marion Avenue bridge to address a persistent runoff problem onto Monongahela Brook Trail.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 8:21 PM.