

**TOWNSHIP OF MORRIS
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REORGANIZATION & REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
JANUARY 10, 2006**

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the Township of Morris Environmental Commission was called to order on Tuesday, January 10, 2006, at 7:30 P.M., in the Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Township of Morris

Statement of Adequate Notice

Chairman Largman issued the following statement:

"I hereby announce and state that adequate notice of this meeting was provided by the Secretary of the Environmental Commission by preparing a notice dated January 4, 2006, specifying the time, date and place of this meeting; posting such notice on the bulletin board in the municipal building; filing said notice with the Clerk of the Township of Morris; forwarding the notice to the Morris County Daily Record and The Morris News Bee, and forwarding, by mail, the said notice to all persons on the request list, and I hereby hand a copy of such notice to the Secretary of the Environmental Commission for inclusion in the minutes of this meeting, all of the above actions being in accordance with N.J.A.C. 10"4-6, Et. Seq., Open Public Meeting Act."

Attendance

Members Present

Theodore Largman, Chairperson
Franz Vintschger
Louise Jensen
David Stasse
Barbara Gardner
Robert L. Wallace

Members Absent

Lawrence Vitale
John Storey

Also Present

James R. Slate, Township Engineer
Sonia Santiago, Secretary

Also Absent

Fred J. Rossi, Township Administrator

Public Present

Julia Sommers
Ron Goldberg

Oath of Allegiance and Oath of Office administered to the following members:

- Ms. Louise Jensen
- Mr. David Stasse
- Mr. Robert L. Wallace
- Ms. Barbara Gardner

On motion duly made, seconded, unanimously carried as indicated the following resolutions were adopted as presented:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION of the Township of Morris, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, will meet at 7:00 P.M., prevailing time, on each of the dates set forth below, for the year 2006, in the Municipal Building, 50 Woodland Avenue, Township of Morris, New Jersey:

January 10th (7:30 P.M.)
March 14th
May 9th
July 11th
September 12th
November 14th
January 16th, 2007

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that additional meetings, if required, will be at the call of the Chairman with the proper notification, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary is authorized and directed to:

Post said meeting schedule and maintain the same posted throughout the year 2006 on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building of the Township of Morris at 50 Woodland Avenue;

b.) Mail a copy of same to the Morris County Daily Record, the Morris News Bee and the Star Ledger.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS

WHEREAS, Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of the State of New Jersey for 1975 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 to 10:4-21) known as the "Open Public Meetings Act", requires adequate notice of meetings of public bodies, as therein defined, and in the manner therein set forth, and prescribed certain other procedures to be followed by such bodies.

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the Planning Board of the Township of Morris, Morris County, New Jersey, this 10th day of January 2006, as follows:

1. The Morris County Daily Record and the Morris News Bee (or as an alternate to the Morris News Bee, the Star Ledger) are hereby designated as the two newspapers to receive notice of meetings as required by any and all sections of the Open Public Meetings Act, it appearing that said newspapers are most likely to inform the local public of such meetings.

2. The location of posting of notice of meetings shall be the bulletin board in the Municipal Building of the Township of Morris, located at 50 Woodland Avenue, where notices of this kind are normally posted.

New applications referred from the Planning Board:

- A. PB-15-05, Ryan Automotive, Block 10104, Lot 4, 111 Ridgedale Avenue.
Construction of a New Service Facility. Recommendations regarding the installation of a stormceptor for the site was referred to the Technical Coordinating Committee and Planning Board.
- B. PB-16-05, Omnipoint Communications, Block 10401, Lot 2, 268 M. L. King Avenue.
Placement of Antennas and Equipment. No action was taken by the Environmental Commission.
- C. PB-17-05, Township of Morris, Block 3601, Lot 5, 40 Schoolhouse Lane.
Amended Site Plan for Minor Subdivision to create two lots. No action was taken by the Environmental Commission.

New applications referred from the Board of Adjustment

None to report

Correspondence

The following were noted as received for the record:

- A. 11-3-05 Application for Freshwater Wetlands, for Carl & Nina Reynolds,
Block 7401, Lot 9, 3 Quaker Church Road.
- B. 11-14-05, Maser Consulting P.A. Application for Freshwater Wetlands, for Morris County Engineer, Tingley Rd. over tributary to the Whippany River, Township of Mendham.
- C. 11-15-05, Township of Morris, Letter appointing Louise Jensen to the
Environmental Commission
- D. 11-15-05, Letter of resignation from Mr. Francis Tweed.
- E. 12-7-05, Engineering & Land Planning Assoc., Application for Major Stream
Encroachment Permit, Nicholas Gentile, Block 6302, Lot 1.
- F. 12-7-05, ANJEC, 2006 Planning Grants for NJ Municipalities.
- G. 12-12-05, Invitation from The Law Firm of Lieberman & Blecher and Brinkerhoff
Environmental Services, Inc.
- H. 12-13-05, E-mail from the Association of New Jersey Environmental Commissions.
- I. 12-29-05, Letter of resignation from Ellen Taylor.

General Business

Status Reports:

Whippany River Watershed Action Committee – Louise Jensen informed the members that on February 1, 2006 Jim Slate, Township of Morris Engineer and Steve Souza, from Princeton Hydro, LLC will be doing a presentation on the Western Avenue Reservoir. The Whippany River action meeting are open meetings all are welcome.

Geese Management – The Wildlife permit has been obtained to addle eggs.

Deer Management – Mr. Largman stated that Mr. Storey had informed him that they had culled 200 deer this year.

New Stormwater Rules- Mr. Largman informed the members of the new state requirements in educating the public regarding the stormwater regulations. A draft flier was distributed by Ms. Jensen this will be included in the Township newsletter and distributed at a major Township public event. The members were informed to please review the draft and any changes are to be submitted at the next Environmental Commission meeting.

Western Avenue Reservoir – Mr. Slate stated that the project will help reduce flooding in Morristown. This will allow us to qualify for county funds for this project.

Public Commentary - none to be heard.

Commentary by Committee Members - Mr. Largman stated that they were planning on a yearly event, one possibility is the Memorial Day weekend carnival. This is a great place for the Environmental Commission to get the publicity out on the stormwater control by having the brochure on the table. Then to hold a lottery for everyone that comes to the table can sign up for the drawing of a horse and carriage ride around the town pointing out storm water problems and historical sites in the town. Mr. Largman has inquired about the horse and carriage and spoken to the Township Administrator in regard to the expense.

With no further business for consideration by the Township of Morris Environmental Commission, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 9:02 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonia Santiago, Secretary
Township of Morris Environmental Commission