

UPPER DEERFIELD TOWNSHIP



ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

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The regular meeting of the Environmental Commission of the Township of Upper Deerfield was held on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, Seabrook, New Jersey.

The meeting was called to order and the following Notice was read:

This is a regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Commission of the Township of Upper Deerfield. In compliance with the The Open Public Meetings Act and a schedule of regular meetings Containing the time and location and date of each meeting was Posted in the Municipal Building at Seabrook, New Jersey, which Notice has remained so posted throughout the year and copies of The regular meetings have been mailed to The News of Cumberland County and filed with the Township Clerk in compliance with said Act.

Roll call was taken.

Those present were:

Members: Sandra Morrissey, Eileen Clark, Ernest Holt, Steve Smith Alternate: Caroline Owens and Alternate: William Waterman

Liaison: John T. O'Neill, Sr., Bruce Peterson and Secretary Teresa Warburton.

Members absent: Blake Maloney, Lynn Maun, and Ken Lavine.

On motion of Ernest Holt, seconded by Caroline Owens to approve the minutes of November 2, 2011, unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Need to change the meeting date and re advertise for January 11, 2012 due to the committee reorganization.

A. Correspondence—

None.

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B. Legislative Issues

1. **Status of S2887 and A2950** –the wind turbines on farmland passed the Assembly and goes before the Senate on 12/15/11. S2950 and A4128 Bill Waterman will write a letter to address. S877 Caroline Owens will send a letter. A4335 extension bill on an extension bill to get your maps in of the sewer service areas for your municipality. Sandy Morrissey gave an overview of her synopsis of the bill.

C. Workshops

1. Please notify workshop committee with any ideas for the up coming year.

D. Zone updates

None

D. Committee Reports

- a. Planning Board/Zoning Board – 12/12/11 Sunset Lake LLC at 7pm at the Seabrook Fire Hall public portion continuation.
- b. Recreation Commission – No Report.
- c. Economic Development – No Report.
- d. Open Space Advisory Committee – Meeting set for 1/11/12 at 5:30pm.
- e. Site Plan Review Committee – Lynn Maun, Bill Waterman, and Sandy Morrissey will prepare comments for Sunset Lake hearing on 12/12/11.
- f. Cohansey River Watershed Task Force – Meeting to be held on 12/8/11 at 10am at the Sheppard House. This is the third meeting, Attorney Laura Suggs is working on 501 C3 status change. The Task force is trying to get the cooperation efforts instead of enforcement approach with regards to the Cohansey River Watershed.

E. Unfinished Business

Table till February for Trash & Debris project.

Review & Status of Development Application

Sunset Lake, LLC – a design must be presented and has to be reviewed by the Utilities Committee to see what kind of impact will be on the lift station.

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Member's Comments

Bill Waterman – commented that on Tuesday the recyclables were overflowing and were starting to be placed into the regular trash. On 12/17/11 a neighborhood cleanup near the court house hill is set with Environmental program at Bridgeton High School.

Eileen Clark – Seeley Lake Road project to begin and the dam is on private property so they have to determine ownership and responsibility before the dam can be fixed.

Public Comments

Becky McCubbin – asked about the Task Force and consideration of the developments and runoff into the lake and what impact that would have?

Tom Connelly – The Planning Board Meeting coming up is this the group that took the Township to Court prior to getting Planning Board Approvals, since they felt as though they weren't given a fair hearing.

There being no further business to come before the Board on motion of Bill Waterman, seconded by Caroline Owens to adjourn at 8:50 pm, unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa Warburton
Secretary