

Environmental Meeting for October 12, 2011

The Environmental Meeting for October 12, 2011 was called to order at 0705.

A roll call was taken and Helen Hazard, Barbara Dillon, Paul Chandler, Nancy Oshman, Ed Truitt, and Henry Gomez were present.

The minutes of the September meeting were given to each of the members to review. A motion was made by Barbara to approve the minutes with minor changes. The motion was seconded by Paul and a copy of the minutes with the appropriate changes is on file.

A copy of the classification exception area biennial certification for the New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Garden State Parkway Bass River State Police from Hatch Mott MacDonald, which monitors the ground water due to underground fuel tanks, was circulated for review by the members of the Environmental Commission. The situation was discussed and a copy of the booklet of standards and procedures is on file.

Correspondence on an open space plan and municipal actions for storm water management from ANJEC were introduced and discussed. Copies of these pamphlets of recommendations are on file.

An informational brochure from Caldwell Marine International, LLC was given to each of the commissioners. Caldwell Marine is presently working on the GSP bridge expansion in the Bass River area. The situation was discussed and a copy of the brochure is on file.

Paul compiled a comprehensive list of questions arising from previous meeting's discussions regarding the well testing procedures for the auto recycling businesses in New Gretna. Other members of the commission added questions and possible suggestions to list. These questions and concerns will hopefully be addressed at the November meeting when a member of the DEP will be present to give a presentation and talk with those present at the meeting.

The meeting then moved to old business and Helen said there are no Ad Hoc committees or alternatives allowed unless authorized by the mayor. This point was made because of correspondence which was submitted in the previous month's Environmental Commission meeting.

Barbara added that there had been questions raised by the public at the last meeting about redoing the tax map. This task would not be feasible in its entirety due to prohibitive financial constraints.

Barbara also was looking into money that may be available for a “trails grant” through the NJDEP.

It was noted that there will not be a meeting for the month of December in 2011.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 0755 by Barbara and seconded by Henry. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned,

I certify these minutes to be true.

Nancy Oshman