

CHESTERFIELD TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

APRIL 28, 2015

Chairperson Scarafile called the meeting of the Chesterfield Township Environmental Commission to order at 7:30M. The Open Public Meetings Act Statement was read and compliance noted.

Present Karl Braun, Elise Bremer-Nei, Nancy Scarafile, Mike Hlubik and Martha Veselka, Jane Ryan; F. Gerry Spence.

MINUTES

March 24, 2015

A motion was made by Mr. Braun seconded by Ms. Bremer-Nei to approve the March 24, 2015 meeting minutes. All were in favor with the exception of Ms. Ryan and Mr. Spence who abstained. Motion carried

CORRESPONDENCE

Tree City USA Bulletin #17

PLANNING BOARD APPLICATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Linda Freese expressed her concern regarding the Pipe Line and the compressor station that will be going in next to her house. Her concern was the change in plans that were previously submitted and the residents were not notified. There was not correspondence from the Township regarding FERC. Public comment ends May 4th she asked the board to get together as a whole. Mr. Hlubik stated that the Township had followed all instructions that the Township Attorney had advised and has done all they could do. It's on a County Road and the Township has no jurisdiction. A letter was sent from the Township to all residence within a half a mile. Ms. Veselka suggested that we send the Townships' resolution out to the public so they can copy it in their comments. The board suggested everyone post their comments and tell everyone they can.

Mr. Hlubik stated we should all put our own personal complaints online to FERC by May 4th. Ms. Scarafile suggested that Linda Freese post on nextdoor Chesterfield.com. She will send Linda the link.

Mr. Hlubik stated that the Environmental Commission has no authority on the issue. We are merely an advisory body to the Township Committee.

Linda Freese asked if we had any say regarding drainage from the turnpike onto Chesterfield residents land. Mr. Hlubik informed her we do not. Ms. Freese said there is a "pretend" basin on the new roadway next to the turnpike that is casing run off onto RT

528 and is flooding the Singleton house. Mr. & Mrs. Freese had to install a berm to try to stop the water.

DISCUSSION

Arbor Day

Smokey the Bear was at the school to hand out saplings to some of the students whose parents had asked for them. The cat in the hat was there to read "The Lorax" to the kids and an announcement was made about the Green Fair on May 9th. Officer Heath took photos.

Ash Borer Traps

Ms. Ryan received a trap for the Ash Borers. She is scouting out locations of Ash trees in the Township for installation

Tree Keepers Report

Approximately 20 trees were butchered on Stevenson Lane in Old York Village. They were pruned on one side only, ruining the tree canopy over the street. Ms. Bremer-Nei will send photos and a letter to the Township Committee.

In Charlotte Rodgers Park, there is a lot of pruning that needs to be done (properly) on the trees. Ms. Scarafile would like to organize a clean up day for the park so we can prune the trees.

NOT ON THE AGENDA

ANJEC farm to table garden party at Fernbrook Farms on Friday May 29th at 7:00pm tickets are \$99 each. Ms. Scarafile thinks someone from the board should attend. The group agreed and voted to pay for Ms. Scarafile and Ms. Bremer-Nei to go

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Hlubik and seconded by Braun to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Aggie Napoleon, Secretary