

OCEAN TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION  
Regular Meeting  
November 1, 2010  
7:00 PM

Meeting began at 7:00 PM.  
(Amended 11/29/10)

Chairman Lippincott called the meeting to order.

Flag Salute

Open Public Meeting Act – Pursuant to the provisions of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, sending copies of the notice of the meeting properly provided adequate notice of the meeting to the Times Beacon and the Asbury Park press. Notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Administration Building.

Roll Call:

Members present:    Ed Covitz                      Don Lippincott                      Jack Henderson  
   Bob Knowles                      Pat McCarty                      Tom Leaming

Members absent:    Geary

Mr. Scott Taylor, Township's Landscape Architect and *Committeewoman Wetter* were also present.

**ADMINISTRATIVE:**

Chairman Lippincott asked for a motion to take action on the October 4, 2010 Regular meeting minutes. Mr. Leaming made a motion to approve the October 4, 2010 Regular meeting minutes. Mr. Ed Covitz seconded the motion. All in favor: (aye).

Correspondence list is attached and available at the board office if anything needs to be reviewed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Clean-Up Rail Trail Recap** – Trail was much cleaner then last year. Seven bags were filled and removed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Jim Ritter was a guest speaker and gave a Power Point presentation on the golf course at Greenbriar. Mr. Ritter and the Commission discussed the new fertilizer ordinance and possibly getting relief from two areas of the ordinance. Mr. Ritter invited the Commission to come and view the golf course at any time to see the greens and the ponds. Mr. Ritter also stated that he will send to his homeowners any educational material that the Environmental Commission would like to get to residents. Mr. Taylor and the secretary will get together to see what can be written up for a clarification of this ordinance to be sent to the Township Committee.

Review of Tree Cutting Application for Block 98, Lot 5. Mr. Tardibuono and Mr. Michael Intile, with Crest Engineering spoke about the application. Site received an approval for a minor subdivision prior from the Planning Board. Wetlands fill permit has also been received. Mr. Tardibuono would like to fill the area and in order to do this; trees will need to be taken down. Mr. Tardibuono needs to clear the land in order to fill it and level off the property. Mr. Tardibuono would like to build within the next 12-18 months. Mr. Tardibuono will seed and fertilize and stabilize. Mr. Leaming asked about the neighbors who will be sitting next to a vacant clear cut lot for several years or longer. Mr. Tardibuono wants to rectify the low lying area prior to going forward with the actual building. The water right now sits stagnant in the summer. The grade would be level to the adjoining properties and a light swale. Mr. Henderson commented that the property looks overgrown and scruffy in its current condition. Mr. Tardibuono stated that he has knocked on doors and no neighbors are in objection to his clearing the lot. Mr. Taylor spoke about the grading and had two concerns. First with long-term plan, the applicant will be raising their property and shedding water to the property lines and it will be critical that it be swaled at the property line and that the Township Engineer review this. Because the interim grading that may take place would be in existence for an extended period of time, it is important that some type of sketch be on record that quantifies what is happening with the grading. The water will not shed off right now it will remain on the property. Mr. Intile stated they could do an interim plan. Mr. Taylor explained the right of flowing. The plan will be submitted back to the Zoning office.

A motion was made to approve as presented by the conditions stated by Mr. Taylor. This motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson. Roll call: (aye) Knowles, Henderson, Covitz, Leaming, McCarty, Lippincott.

A motion was made by Mr. Knowles and seconded by Mr. Covitz to recommend to the Township Committee to modify the Township's Fertilizer ordinance. Roll Call: (aye) Knowles, Covitz, Leaming, McCarty, Henderson, Lippincott.

Ms. McCarty spoke that soils differ and "best turf practices" don't always fit for all areas as soils differ.

A motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Leaming, seconded by Mr. Henderson. All in favor: (aye).

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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Beth O'Connor  
Secretary