

BEDMINSTER TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

May 20, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

APPROVED

The Bedminster Township Environmental Commission held their regular meeting on Wednesday, May20, 2015 commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Municipal Building, Main Meeting Room, One Miller Lane, Bedminster, NJ. The following Commissioners were in attendance: Chairman Jeffrey Leonard, Robbie Lert, George Rodelius, Renee Mareski, Donald MacNab, Jane Martin, and R. Colin Hickey.

Commissioner Stappenbeck was absent, excused.

Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm.

Recognition of a quorum was followed by a reading by Chairman Jeffrey Leonard of the Open Public meetings Act as required by law.

Adequate notice of this meeting of the Bedminster Township Environmental Commission was sent to the Courier-News, Somerville; Bernardsville News, Bernardsville and to all subscribers and posted at the Township Municipal Building on January 8, 2015.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes from the May 6 Joint OSFP-EC meeting were unanimously approved on a motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Mareski, with Vice Chair Lert abstaining.

CORRESPONDENCE: No actionable correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Konkus Farm, LLC 442 Main Street Application

Present for Konkus Farm: Keith Konkus, Konkus Farm; Alex Wadas of Stephen Kowalski Architects, regular architect; Megan Trainor of Debra Cerbone Assoc., landscape architect; Craig Villa of YVA LLC, civil engineer.

Discussion was led by Ms. Trainor and focused on tree removal for aesthetic renovation improvement and increased parking. Removal request was for 12 onsite trees, 2 offsite trees. The commission rejected the replacement of non-tree shrubbery to compensate.

On a motion by Commissioner Mareski, seconded by Commissioner MacNab, a motion was made to grant the waiver of the Konkus tree removal subject to the Applicant agreeing to satisfy the Tree Ordinance Requirement. Roll call vote. All in favor.

ADDITIONAL COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Martin asked about temporary fence by dog park. Commissioner Lert advised temporary fence was used to just delineate space and that permanent fences cannot be erected in wetlands or buffer zones.

MEETING ADJOURNED at 7:59 pm on motion made by Commissioner Mareski and seconded by CommissionerMacNab.

All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Robbie Lert
Vice Chair

