

# **FAIR LAWN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION**

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MARCH 2, 2005**

Wendy Dabney convened the meeting at 7:30

The following members were present:

Wendy Dabney, Gina Bernstein, Jennifer Greenwood, Peter Kortright, Todd Newman, Jack O'Neil, Joe Piniero, and Carol Wagner. Mary Burdick, Marty Etler, and Elaine Winshell were absent.

Maureen Moriarty and Cathy Moore attended as guests.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Letters were sent to Mayor Ganz from the seventh grade students at Thomas Jefferson School regarding the effect of trash in town and in the Passaic River. We will notify them of the April 23, June 11, and Sept 17 cleanup and Storm Drain Marker Day on Saturday, May 1.

Hazardous Waste Collection Dates flyer was distributed.

ANJEC mailed reappointment certificates were received.

Road Show = Cost is \$200.00. Peter Kortright moved that we select "Preserve Open Space" and "Clean Up Ground Storm Water Management". Jennifer Greenwood seconded the motion which passed.

**MINUTES OF JANUARY MEETING** = The minutes of the January meeting were accepted on a motion by Peter Kortright and a second by Jack O'Neil.

**HEALTH REPORT** = Carol Wagner distributed copies of her report to the members. In addition to two well permits, the report mentioned the BASF work plan and Fisher Scientific remedial action report. Printer cartridge program is going very well. Cell phone recycling has been started. Results of analysis at Topps Cleaners analysis results pending. A "hydro punch" method is used for testing instead of purging. Jennifer Greenwood expressed concern in her Feb. 3rd E-mail to the members. Carol advised that the testing was started in 1995. In order to get complete reports, we need to know the case manager and case number of each site, and ask for maps and levels. Maureen Moriarty suggested that we obtain maps of major sites of concern including Board of Education, Fisher Scientific, Sandoz, and Fair Lawn Industries. Peter Kortright moved that we get the maps in question. Todd Newman seconded the motion which passed. It was noted that the NJDEP web site lists the Fair Lawn sites. We should post the sites on our web page.

**MEMBERSHIP** = If Mary Burdick is unable to attend and participate, Maureen Moriarty may be considered for alternate membership. Gina Bernstein would then become a regular member.

**DOG RUN** = Todd Newman advised that Honey Morgenstein is to bring the issue before the commission. She has already started a petition. Todd will be the "Point Man" on this.

**NAUGLE PROJECT** = Wendy Dabney advised that the meeting has been postponed to March 22<sup>nd</sup>. The property has been damaged again.

**PLANNING BOARD** = Peter Kortright advised that proposed plans for St. Anne's Church were presented to the board. The effect on the neighborhood was not presented. Road changes, elevator, air conditioning units, parking stalls, etc. are involved. Peter recommended that our commission look for a comprehensive plan regarding the Stonewater Plant. Ordinances to be approved next year. Must meet more than the minimum DEP requirements. For example shade tree and water quality are to be considered. The county is advocating shared services within the county. Environmental issues are not just kept within borders.

**OLD BUSINESS** =

**ADOPT-A-PARK** – Todd Newman will follow up on this with George Frey. We must notify George by March 22 regarding Memorial Park. Perhaps it can be co-adopted with Memorial South Neighborhood Watch. The program is a two year commitment. Todd moved that we renew our commitment. Jack O'Neil seconded the motion which passed.

**FLEC MISSION STATEMENT** – The mission statement is being drafted by Wendy Dabney and Elaine Winshell.

**LYNCREST UPDATE** – The foundation has been started, but there is no cover or rubber barrier to prevent runoff.

**NEW BUSINESS** =

**WENDY DABNEY** stated that money from the marathon committee could be used for new trees on Burbank Street. The bike rack agenda will be pushed.

**RIVER WALK** – Gina Bernstein stated that Bob De Vita of the Passaic Valley Water Commission is in favor. The principal favors having students involved. Wood chips will be used to make the path. The last Friday in April is Arbor Day. Earth week can also be used to work on the area. Todd Newman moved that we participate in the River Walk Project. Jennifer Greenwood seconded the motion which passed.

**LYNCREST PARK** - Todd Newman suggested that clean up be an Eagle Scout project. Check with Marty Etler to see if the Passaic Valley Water Commission can clean it up.

Guest Cathy Moore addressed the commission. Cathy resides in one of the eleven homes on Plaza Road that are effected by contamination. The house next

to EXXON has a level of 385 (1 or less is acceptable). New borings on Feb. 12 revealed two underground water channels. One runs north and south, and the other runs east. There will be drilling through the basement slabs in two weeks. Atwood Davis is case manager for this site. DEP is to clean up and get paid by those responsible for the properties.

ANJEC environmental training available. \$30 for members and \$35 for non-members.

The police dept. will have a bike rodeo at Memorial Park on April 19<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with State Farm Insurance.

meeting was adjourned at 9:30

Respectfully submitted  
Jack O'Neil