

FAIR LAWN ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF NOV 1, 2006

Chair Wendy Dabney convened the meeting at 7:30

Members present were: Wendy Dabney, Jack O'Neil, Lidia Kramerchuk for Carol Wagner, Joe Pineiro, Emil De Luccia, and Ally Lansey (FLHS Liaison).

Wendy advised that we do not have a quorum

CORRESPONDENCE

Three Fair Lawn Community brochures titled "Storm Drain Litter", "Household Hazardous Materials Disposal", and "Litter Marshall Program" were received from the Fair Lawn Recycling Division. Copies were distributed among the commission members. Additional copies may be obtained at the recycling center.

E-mail received from Jane Diepeveen seeking information as to whether there are ordinances covering landscapers blowing leaves and grass clipping into the road. Wendy replied that it is a violation. Ron Lotterman calls them if advised of the name, number, and locale. Wendy advised that Peter Kortright and she will inform the borough council so that they can address the issue.

WENDY DABNEY advised that stormwater guidelines should be followed at construction sites. Property Maintenance should follow up on complaints regarding the appearance of our town. The unsightly Naugle property is an example.

REPORTS

HEALTH DEPARTMENT =

Lidia Kramerchuk submitted the October report, and distributed copies to the members. Three well abandonment reports received from well driller at Sandoz property. NJDEP found the Variance Request for use of the Hot Soil Sampling Protocol at Topps cleaners site to be in compliance with requirements for site remediation, and provides accurate and precise results. AMAI Consultants announced that a great deal of work will take place on the Topps site in the next few weeks including an electrical pole for power, transformer pad, and a trench for cables and wiring. Phase three of testing will commence in November involving twenty homes on Ramapo Terrace, and Townley Road. These residents have been invited to attend a Nov. 2 meeting. Lidia also distributed a sketch map showing the area and locations for phase 3 testing. Quarterly monitoring will be

conducted on homes testing above indoor air screening level. An E-mail from Kathy Moore advised that Anderson Mulholland was seen talking to PSE&G at the site. This indicates that a generator may be coming soon. Lidia advised that the Health Department is not directly involved in DEP monitoring of sites. There is no staff to monitor compliance. The county also does not monitor sites. The question arose as to who is the enforcement agent regarding stormwater ordinance violations. Ron Lotterman will be asked to publish stormwater guides. Lidia discussed the Lyncrest School property. If 300 cubic yards are moved, then the town will have to issue a permit. No DEP testing is required. There is unsifted fill and gravel under the top soil. Aluminum sulfate was added due to the high Ph. If there is no evidence of contamination, there is no checking.

PLANNING BOARD - No Report

BOROUGH COUNCIL = No Report

OLD BUSINESS

RIVER WALK = There will be a cleanup at Memorial along the Passaic River on Nov. 4th. The trail is completed all the way. The Passaic Valley Sewer Commission will have it chipped by winter with chips provided by the borough. George Frey of the Parks and Recreation Dept. will maintain the river walk. There will be no dog walk. Garbage cans have been ordered. A public boat launch is to be built at the present launch site. Channel 12 News will come down when the “new” weir is visible.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION = This is not a committee.

OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE = There will be a meeting in November to narrow down the list of properties for the Green Acres grant. Is it possible to work with Bergen County Parks Dept. on the Naugle property?

BIKES = Wendy met with cyclists Jim Storozuk and Howard Marks. They discussed problem areas. The question of where to put bike racks was discussed. The bike rack formerly located at the municipal building was moved to the recreation center. The rack at the library is not good for adult bikes, and is not anchored. Should there be bike racks at commercial locations?

FLHS LIAISON = Ally advised that the Fair Lawn High School Environmental Club will be advised. They have a fund raising program planned.

NEW BUSINESS

It has been proposed that nine units are planned for the Malincheck property. The developers will meet with the planning board in room 201 on Nov. 13th. It was noted that if the homes are not approved, the alternative is a commercial installation(s).

ARBOR DAY = Planning is still pending.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack O'Neil, Sec'y