



**COLTS NECK
ENVIRONMENTAL
COMMISSION**

124 Cedar Drive
Colts Neck, NJ 07722

**Meeting Minutes
December 3, 2007**

Members

Present –David Kostka, Vincent Domidion, Liaison Thomas Hennessey, Mary Massey

Absent –Sashe Annete, David Paddock, John Vig

Associates

Present - Pat Anderson

Absent – Gisela Anderl

Visitor

Connor Race

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm by Mr. Kostka who read the following statement. “In accordance with the provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act. P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, public notice of this meeting has been provided by publication of an annual notice in the Asbury Park Press and posting of this notice on the bulletin board at Town Hall.”

The October 1, 2007 and November 5, 2007 minutes were distributed for review. There being no corrections made the minutes were approved as submitted.

LIAISON REPORT

Mr. Hennessey polled the members on the need for the Township to purchase a street sweeper, which would cost \$180,000.00. The Township is looking to the Clean Communities program for a possible grant.

PLANNING BOARD

Applicant on Squan Song Lane off Hockhocksens on 3.1 acres, where 15% coverage is permitted, already has 20% coverage and has applied for permission for 23.3% coverage. They want to install a pond, a pool, and a cabana. An existing driveway constitutes a large proportion of the impervious coverage. The applicant might be asked to remove part of the paving to reduce existing coverage before getting approval for further coverage.

Brock, Block 31.01, Lot 7, application shows a parking lot in a JCP&L easement. The proposed building would not be in the easement, but applicant would lose parking lot if JCP&L needed to use easement for additional equipment. Mrs. Massey advised that the Township should protect itself by advising the applicant or requiring a grant of immunity in case he loses use of the easement.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Domidion initiated the subject of clear-cutting done by JCP&L in their rights-of-way. He reported that some of the properties, including property on Hillsdale owned by the Township, have been scraped down to bare earth. He noted that JCP&L has not filed a soil stabilization plan, and that ATV's have been riding through the clear-cuts, producing erosion. He further noted that the Township has Category I streams. He suggested that he, Mr. Hennessy and Mayor Stuart meet to observe conditions, and then invite Soil Conservation officials to visit the properties with them.

An additional purple martin house has been ordered.

NEW BUSINESS/ CORRESPONDENCE

Connor Race, a student, sat in on the meeting as part of a school course requirement.

Next Meeting 7:30 pm – Monday, January 7, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry, Secretary

