

Township of Colts Neck

Shade Tree Commission

January 3, 2008

Meeting Minutes

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Chair Person Eileen Stivala who read the following statement. "As the presiding officer of this meeting of the Colts Neck Shade Tree Commission, I hereby declare that the notice requirements in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law Chapter 21, P.L. 1995 has been provided in accordance with the Annual Notice Procedures of C 10.4 – 28 of said Act. I further order that this public announcement be placed in the minutes of this meeting.

Roll Call –

Commission Members Present - Eileen Stivala, James Nicoletti, Jennifer Axelrod, Henry Hammond, Ben O'Neill, Stephen Marx, Mary Barbagallo.

Commission Member Absent –

Staff Present – Julie McGowan, Al Reed Sec.

Staff Absent - Mayor

Township Committee Liaison Report – None

New Subdivisions and Site Plans

1. **PB # 622 Block 51, Lot 2.22 Due Process Tennis Courts** – Block # 51, Lots 2 & 2.22 Major lot plan & Variance Prints Dated 12/30/04. Conditional approval resolution approved 1/6/05. Revised prints required. PB awaiting action by applicant. NC

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2. **PB # 609A Green, Block 46, Lot # 10, Route 537** – Conditional approval granted 1/6/05. Revised Prints Required. Awaiting action by applicant. NC

3. **PB # 636 Findel, Cedar Dr. – Minor Site plan** – JM report dated 3/6/06 on 12/22.05 prints – open item awaiting PB action and revised prints. NC

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5. **PB # 638 Sebolt Windsor Place.** – Prints dated 2/10/06 reviewed. See JM memo of 3/1/06 Awaiting PB action. JM to review NC

6. **ZB # 740 Colts Neck Animal Clinic, Hwy # 34** – Awaiting New Plans. NC

7. **PB # 649 Willow Brook Stables – Block 9, Lot 2.01 Willow Brook Road** – Plans in their present form denied NC

8. **PB # 650 Morgan – Block 30, Lot 13. Rt. 537 & New Street.** - Recommend new plans. NC

9. **PB # 651 Shoppes at Colts Neck Block 48, Lot 5.39, 40 Route #34** - Inadequate plans – poor landscaping. Not approved – plans unacceptable.

10. **PB # 653 Russo - Block 21.05 Lot #1 Laird Road, Black Swan Farm. (7.04 Acres)** - Landscape plan is not acceptable. NC

- 11 **PB # 656 Galeros - Not approved as presented**

12. **PB # 659 Guiffre - J. Mc Gowen memo says acceptable. As presented Sec. to write resolution offered by J. Nicoletti Seconded by Ben O`Neill unanimously passed.**
13. **PB # 660 DeFalco – Engineering plan submitted insufficient. Shade Tree Commission requires Landscape Plans. Memo sent to Planning Board so stating .**
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15. **PB # ___ Ignazio, Block 51 Lot 2.30 17 Squan song lane.**

INFRACTIONS & OTHER ITEMS

1. Rivers edge multiple residents having various greenway violations – As follows: In progress
 - a. **Parikh** – Block 35, Lot 22.24. CEO letter of 9/10/03 reference lights to be removed by 10/10/03. CEO actively pursuing. No landscaping required. JN to follow up with CEO.
 - b. **Bisignano** – Block 35, Lot 22.23 – CEO letter of 11/13/03, violations to be removed by Oct 1, 2003. JN to follow up with CEO Letter sent requesting Bisignano or representative of Bisignano requested to attend STC Meeting to develop restoration plan to area cleared of understory and removal of stairs.
 - c. **Damusjian** – Block 35, Lot 22.18 – CEO letter dated 10/16/03 with action by 11/01/03. No action as of 11/01/03. CEO and JN to follow up.
 - d. **Vulpis/Lionette** – Block 35, Lot 22.19 – CEO Letter dated 10/16/03. Need to consult lawyer regarding STC’s next move. CEO and JN to follow up.
 - e. **Aprilante** – Block 35, lot 22.20, CEO sent letter dated 10/16/03. Mrs. Aprilante called GEF saying “ Fire caused damage” . Need to consult lawyer regarding STC’s next move. CEO & JN to follow up. Property inspection required.

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2. Shor - Block 27, Lot 10.2 Bluebell Road - Fence and structure in Conservation Easement and wetlands, groundcover shrubs and trees cut. CEO sent letters dated 3/11/04 & 4/15/05. CEO and GEF and DEP representative met with Mr. Shor. He is to proceed with the wetlands problem first. CEO & JN to follow up.
3. **PB # 633 Clemente # 9 Western Drive, Block 10, Lot 9.6** – Greenway easement and site violation. On 6/29/05, GEF and AJ Garito discussed 6/02/05 print with Township Committee. They agreed to land swap and other changes. PB approved with conditions. Revised prints required. NC J.M. to check with T. Anfuso.
4. **Naddeo # 6 Orchard Lane, Block 34, Lot 16.4** – Cut trees and ground cover in greenway behind lot. GEF, HH, JM & JN and CEO working with owner on resolution. Mr. Naddeo attended October STC meeting and agreed to comply with restoration plan. Restoration work currently in progress. HH to follow up. ES wrote letter to Mr Naddeo suggesting replacement of deer damaged tree and protection solutions to further control deer damage. H.H to check. To be inspected by J. N. & J. A. NC
5. . **Figaro, Michel # 153 Cedar Drive** – Cut large tree in conservation easement. JM & JA to report on site visit and make recommendations for restoration. NC ES will write letter to Mr. Figaro asking that he replace the large 36 inch caliber that was removed with five 3 inch caliber white oaks. Locations will be flagged by JM and suggest planting by 15 May '06 NC - Letter sent to Mr. Figaro informing him that 5 trees should be planted by May 15, 2007 to avoid further action against him. It is duly noted that the trees planted are not white oak and Mr. Figaro is in violation.
6. **DeFalco, Robert # 26 Twin Lake Drive, Block # 48, Lot 20.13 - Landscape easement Violation.** – Off Bond. Tax Map 7.05, 6/05/05. JN, GEF visited site – GEF needs to review with JM and follow up. Violation notice served 11/06/05 and on-site visit with GEF. Mr. DeFalco to replace rails in fence but not to remove any

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more brush or ground cover. Discuss restoration procedure. JM will determine what is to be planted after a visit to the site. JM to follow up w/letter. Need Landscape plan. Memo sent to T. Anfuso so stating.

Committee Reports

Violations, Complaints and “other” item resolution subcommittee.

Cul-de-sac Sub Committee – No report.

Pools - No report. –

Public Lands Committee Report - *Street Trees, Town Hall, Park*

H. Hammond reports that trees will be ordered for planting on Township property using any remaining funds in budget.

Lands, Greenways, Conservation acres, and Landscape easements. No report.

STC Member’s Reports & Questions – None

Nominating Committee of Ben O’Neil, Mary Barbagallo & Henry Hammond reported that the officers for 2008 will be the same officers and appointees that served in 2007.

Meeting Adjourned @ 8:50 PM - Motioned by H. Hammond seconded Ben O’Neill

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