

May 1, 2008

Township of Colts Neck

Shade Tree Commission

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Meeting Minutes

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 PM at Huddy's Restaurant since no one in attendance had a key to the Town Hall Building.

Roll Call -

Commission Members Present - James Nicoletti, Mary Barbagallo, Henry Hammond, Ben O'Neill, Stephen Marx, Julie McGowan

Stephen Marx, Ben O'Neill

Commission Members Absent - Eileen Stivala, Jennifer Axelrod, James Stuart

Staff Present -

Staff Absent - Julie McGowan Landscape Architect, J. Stuart Township Board Rep., A. Reed, Sec.

Township Committee Liaison Report - None

New Subdivisions and Site Plans (NC = No Change)

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

2. PB # 609 A Green, Block 46, Lot # 10, Route 537 - Conditional approval granted 1/06/05. Revised Prints required awaiting action by applicant. NC

3. PB # 636 Findel, Cedar Dr. - Minor Site Plan - JM report dated 3/06/06 on 12/22/05 prints - open item awaiting PB action and revised prints. NC

4. 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

5. ZB # 740 Colts Neck Animal Clinic, Hwy # 34 - Awaiting New Plans NC

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

7. PB # 650 Morgan - Block 30, Lot 13, Rt. 537 & New Street - Recommended new plans NC

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

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

10. PB # 656 Galeros - Not approved as presented.

11. **PB # 659 Guiffre** - J. McGowen memo says acceptable as presented. Sec. To write resolution offered by J. Nicoletti, Seconded by Ben O'Neill - unanimously passed at January 3, '08 meeting.
12. **PB # 660 DeFalco** - Engineering plan submitted insufficient. Shade Tree Commission Requires Landscape Plans. Memo sent to Planning Board so stating. Awaiting New Plans.
13. **Galeros** - Engineering plan submitted is insufficient. Shade Tree Commission Requires Landscape Plans. Memo sent to PB so stating, awaiting New (Landscape) Plans.
14. **PB # Ignazio, Block 51, Lot 2.30** - on 17 Squan Song Lane
15. **PB # 662 Papetti - Block 45, Lot 3.02 Hominy Hill Road** - awaiting PB action.
16. **PB # 663 Birdsall - Block 46 Lot 16** - Plans not acceptable. Awaiting PB Action. It is noted that Birdsall changed plans but they are still not acceptable.
17. **PB # 661 Notoro/ Mockingbird Drive, Block 11 Lot 3.05**
New plans coming in with revisions
18. **PB # 663 Birdsall/Route 34, Block 46 Lot 16** - Approved by Planning Board with a revision. STC will review revised plans.
19. **PB # 666 Colts Neck Fire Co. #2/Conover Road Block 8 Lot 10,** - Need Landscape Plans
20. **PB # 667 Mr. King/ Block 7 Lot 4.01/4** - Not acceptable, need revised plans. (Pond is a concern.)

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 Bisignano representative requested to attend STC Meeting to develop restoration plan to area cleared of under-story and removal of stairs leading down to water edge of reservoir. Mr. Bisignano attended the STC public meeting and agreed to cooperate with STC requirements to restore under-story to natural state, and develop a plan to minimize run off to reservoir while under-story grows back. He also agreed to remove stairs to reservoir.

C. Damusjian - Block 35, Lot 22.18 - CEO letter dated 10/16/03 with action by 11/01/03. No action observed by 11/01/03. CEO & 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.

2. Shor - Block 27, Lot 10, 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 and 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 JM 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 STC meeting in October and agreed to comply with restoration plan. Restoration work currently in progress. HH to follow up. ES wrote a letter to Mr. Naddeo suggesting replacement of deer damaged tree which will likely die and suggested protection solutions to further control deer damage. To be inspected by JN & JA. 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 tree that was removed with five 3 inch caliber white oaks. Locations will be flagged by JM and suggested 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 trees 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 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.

7. Cling on Mocking Bird and Dutch Lane - Deferred until next month/

8. Polino we need to get Rich Galinski (CEO) to explain violation, if any regarding fencing, wall height and pool built into deck. Deferred until next month.

Committee Reports

Violations Complaints and “other” item resolution subcommittee.

Tree Ordinance was reviewed. A few suggestions were taken. Julie will reply to LRPC. STC will request to Bob Bowden that Rich Galinski come to STC Meetings and will be compensated for his time. This will help all of us to be up to date on matters of concern to the STC.

Pools - No Report

Public Lands Committee Report - Street Trees, Town Hall, Park - No report

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

STC Member’s Reports & Questions -Eileen Stivala said we would plan something to do with Colts Neck Youth groups for Arbor Day.

Meeting adjourned @ 9:20 PM - Motioned by Ben O’Neill , seconded by H. Hammond

Respectfully Submitted - via Mary Barbagallo who took minutes in my absence.

A. W. Reed, STC Secretary