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## Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes

June 4, 2018

### **Members**

**Present** – David Kostka, Mary Massey, Thomas Fitzsimmons, John Vig, Stephen Dnistrian, Thomas Hennessy, and Liaison Michael Viola

**Excused**- Thomas Pacheco

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairperson David 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 minutes of the May 7, 2018 were approved on a motion by Stephen Dnistrian, and second by Thomas Hennessy, with one abstain from Thomas Fitzsimmons.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1) Capital Project Review: Colts Neck Board of Education for Conover Road Primary School  
The CN Board of Education submitted a proposal to reconstruct and redesign the entrances and exits to allow better flow for buses and parents to pick up and drop off children. The Commission reviewed the plan and did not find any environmental issues with the project.

2) PB#730 -Revolutionary Road Subdivision-Block 17, Lot 2-21

At the May meeting, the Planning Board requested the applicant to return to the June meeting with a plan for the project with three individual driveways on Revolutionary Road in addition to the plan with a cult-de-sac.

The Environmental Commission reviewed the applicant’s plan for the project with three individual driveways on Revolutionary Road. On a motion by Thomas Hennessy and second by John Vig, the Commission voted unanimously to have the applicant provides a 50 feet landscape easement around the entire property.

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**3) PB725-Trump National Golf Club-Block 46, Lot 1.52**

The Trump National Golf Club's application requested various landscape deviations from previously approved Landscape Plans. These deviations included modifications to the species of plantings, location and number of buffering plantings, as well as eliminating some landscaping. The Commission noted that no information was provided regarding the reasons for the requested deviations.

On a motion by Thomas Fitzsimmons and second by Stephen Dnistrian, the Commission voted unanimously to oppose the application until the Commission received an explanation for the requested deviations from the previously approved Landscape Plans.

4) During this meeting, Environmental Commission members discussed various projects to undertake for the rest of 2018.

The ideas were broken down into three categories.

1) Communications- Steve and Tom F will develop a plan of how the Commission could communicate with the residents concerning various topics such as the location of Category 1 streams, the problem of ticks, the lack of information residents have about the easements on their property as well as other areas of concern to residents.

2) Update of the Natural Resources Inventory with has not been undated for many years.

3) John, Mary, and Tom H will work on a Frequently Asked Questions program to present information in this format over various issues that would be of interest to residents.

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**OLD BUSINESS**

1) Mr. Kostka revisited the discussion on how the EC board could assist in providing information regarding the category 1 streams in Colts Neck and the issues affecting the properties around the stream to residents. Mr. Kostka presented an old map that displayed properties and land on the Category 1 stream.

**LIAISON REPORT**

1) Liaison Michael Viola mentioned there will be more community activity, such as movies in the park on Friday June 8, 2018. The event will be sponsored by Colts Neck Parks and Recreation.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

On a motion by Thomas Fitzsimmons and a second by Stephen Dnistrian, accompanied by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 8:26 pm. The next meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Monday July 2, 2018.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary,

Gina Cristiano