

JACKSON TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

CORRECTED MINUTES

MEETING March 21, 2006

Call to Order.

Flag Salute.

Announced compliance with Open Public Meeting Act.

Roll Call:

PRESENT: Steve Chisholm, Chair; Denise Garner; Kathy Bott-DiGesu, Blanche Krubner
Lori Neuman

EXCUSED, Richard Borys, Vice Chair, Susan Anton-Switka

Motion to approve Minutes of February 21, 2006. Motion: GARNER/Bott-DiGesu. Garner, Bott-DiGesu, yes; Chisholm, Krubner, Neuman abstain.

Motion made to change agenda order. Proceed to New Business Applications

New Business

Block 145.01 Lots 33.01, 33.02, 33.03 (Recd 3/2006) Sunrise Assisted Living Residences, West County Line Road. Mrs. Pat Segedin, applicant representative present and provided a project overview to the Commission. Applicant is currently requesting a use variance at the instruction of the Jackson Township Zoning Office, prior to submitting complete plans for approval. Applicant cannot move forward with the project without Commission input on the variance issue. Motion for no objection to the variance request, complete plans will be submitted at a later date. KRUBNER/ Bott-DiGesu. Krubner, Bott-DiGesu, Chisholm yes. Garner abstains. Neuman arrived during presentation and did not vote on application.

Block 9.01 Lot 126 (Recd 3/2006) American Family Construction, Park Avenue. Plans were reviewed and Mr. Ronald Maehr of American Family Construction Inc was present. Motion for no objection GARNER/ Bott-DiGesu. All voted yes.

Block 40 Lot 36.02 (Recd 3/2006) Omnipoint Communications, Don Connor Blvd. Plans were reviewed with no objection. Motion for no objection KRUBNER/ Bott-DiGesu. All voted yes.

Block 77 Lot 2.02 (Recd 3/2006) Peter Maher, Bennetts Mill Road, Residence and Office space. Plans were reviewed with no objection. Motion GARNER/ Neuman. All voted yes.

Block 113 Lots 20, 22.02 & 22.02 (Recd 3/2006) Cooks Bridge Plaza, Bennetts Mill Road. Plans were reviewed. Motion made for the application to be tabled pending site inspection and Environmental Impact Statement review by Denise Garner. Applicant to be invited to the April 18, 2006 to discuss the application with the Commission. GARNER/Krubner. All voted yes.

Other:

Blanche Krubner relayed information to the Commission about the Recreation Ordinance. A draft ordinance was give to the Planning Board for review and input. The ordinance would require builders to include facilities when building or requiring a cash contribution in lieu of providing the actual facilities. Mrs. Krubner requested that in the section concerning Community Parks, language be added

to include ecologically fragile AREAS and wetlands. The Planning Board agreed to the additional language.

Steve Chisholm informed the Commission that the Tree Save Ordinance is currently being challenged by the builders.

Denise Garner made a motion that a letter be drafted from the Environmental Commission to commend the ordinance creating the General Development Planning Zone in Jackson, Chapter 109 Article 6 of the Municipal Land Use Coe of the Township. Seconded by Blanche Krubner. All voted yes.

Old Business

Since the old business involved the site inspections performed by Susan Anton-Switka, motion was made to table until the April 18 2006 meeting when Susan will be in attendance for comment and explanation of her findings. KRUBNER/ Garner. All voted yes.

Public Forum.

Mrs. Peggy Sturmfels of the NJ Environmental Federation was present. She provided information on the Integrated Pest Management Program and the Pesticide Free Zones Program. Information had also been provided to Mayor Giblin along with a draft resolution for a Municipal Pesticide Reduction Policy. Mrs. Sturmfels asked the Commission for their endorsement of the programs and to relay this endorsement to Mayor Giblin. Motion to endorse NEUMAN/Krubner. All voted yes. Letter of endorsement to be drafted to Mayor Giblin and the Committee.

Correction: Upon reviewing the minutes for March, there was some confusion among the Commission members as to the motion and vote to endorse the New Jersey Environmental Federation's request, forwarding a letter to the Mayor and Township Committed. The endorsement will be discussed at the May meeting, when all Commission members will be present.

Bills:

Motion to pay the secretary for March 21, 2006. Motion: KRUBNER/ Garner. All voted yes..

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING, Tuesday April 18, 2006, 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM at the Municipal Building. .

Minutes prepared and submitted by Lisa Knoll