

**Environmental Commission
Washington Township (Morris Cty), New Jersey
Minutes of August 7, 2006**

Prepared by: Frank Ferraro

I. Attendance:

Present: Mark Napolitano, Anthony LaVista, , Robert Balsamo, Valerie Walsh, Frank Ferraro, Kathy Smith, Ken Sort(Township Committee liaison).

Absent: CJ Sinko, Merv Haines

II. Minutes of 7/10/05 were approved.

III. Stream Testing & Water Quality Program

Reviewed the results of the stream testing program, sample collection date was 6/13/06. 21 locations were sampled by the WTEC, and the samples were then sent to W.A.T.E.R. Works Laboratory Inc. for testing. The results of the testing dated July 12, 2006, were reviewed by the WTEC, and we concluded that the results for the 21 samples were in line with standard conformity for Fecal Coliform , Nitrate-Nitrogen and Total Phosphate.

IV. Upper Raritan Watershed Association

WTEC reviewed the point that the Upper Raritan Watershed Association was contacted to invite them to one of our meetings. Also brochure received on their Geographical Information System (GIS) capabilities, was passed out for review.

V. Review of Correspondence to Environmental Commission

The following correspondence was reviewed:

- a. Notice to WTEC of Wetlands LOI Lot 11 Block 28 Property on Bartley Road, Engineer Associated Consultants
- b. Notice to WTEC of Highlands Application Exemption Lot 36 Block 45.01 Property on East Mill Road, Engineer Associated Consultants
- c. NJDEP Agency **Determination: Highlands Act –Not Exempt**, Lot 28 Block 22, 204 Schooley's Mtn Road, proposed were 12 antennas on a 20 foot extension of an existing 120 foot tower and equipment pad, for Sprint PCS. **Project requires the Highlands Preservation Area Approval.**

- d. Review Letter from Habitat by Design, of US Home – **Greenbriar at Riverview Block 19 Lots 5, 6, and 7**, the township consultant reviewed a recent redesigned site plan dated June 9, 2006. The review issues were primarily addressing stormwater management, water quality pond issues and other landscape planting proposals and recommendations.
- e. July 19 and August 2, 2006 DEP Bulletins.
- f. Washington Township Board of Health Agenda July 26, 2006 Meeting. Review of meeting and correspondence, also included was an attached report from the WTMUA Annual Drinking Water Quality Report.

VII. ANJEC - Transmitted to new additions to previous publications as references for environmental commissions, they were passed out to the commission for review.

1. “Site Plan and Subdivision Review” Which is a review guideline for environmental commissions.
2. “Remediating and Redeveloping Brownfields” It is an explanation of the New Jersey Brownfields program, and examples of site clean up.

VIII. General Discussions

Ken Short, reviewed with the WTEC, various developments and plans presently in Washington Township.

VIII. Next Meeting: September 11, 2006

X. Meeting Adjourned.