

Minutes of the Andover Township Environmental Commission
Meeting of September 3, 2009

Commission Members Present: Lois DeVries, Diane Gillespie, Bob Green, Kathryn Richardson, Linda Hobbard

Commission Members Excused: Harvey Hummel, Peter Spinney

The Agenda was adapted as amended.
July Minutes were adapted.

Open to Public – no public comment.

Eric Olsen of Nature Conservancy made a presentation for membership and was accepted as a member.

OLD BUSINESS:

Lois DeVries reported the Sparta Pumped Storage Project was cancelled after test borings – Nature has prevailed.

Lois DeVries reported the Carbonate Rock Ordinance will be presented to the Board for adaption. Possible presentation to the Board will be made by Eric Olsen.

Diane Gillespie reported on Native Plants and presented a copy of tree recommendations as a result of ideas from Russ Stern and will now present it to the Land Use Board.

Open Space – Lois DeVries and Diane Gillespie reported the property on Lake Iliff has progressed and should be purchased by the October Open Space Meeting. Land Conservancy is attempting to purchase 120 acres for the Paulinskill Recreation Area for ball fields, walking trails, and preservation detention basins – possible use of Eagle Scouts for spring planting.

NEW BUSINESS

Wallkill River Watershed Management Corp. wants to start a project on the Paulinskill in Andover Township. They will be invited to give a presentation to the Environmental Commission.

APPLICATIONS

Cambridge Pavers plant to be located on Limcrest Road extending to rear of Life Care Mews. Needs variances. Lois DeVries will report to Land Use Board and point out existing violations on the property. Problems: Noise, dust, traffic, water, existing wet lands and building heights.

West View Development: Asking for variances and exceptions to proceed. Planning Board will have more inspections before making a decision.

CORRESPONDENCE

PSE&G has filed an application for a wetlands permit for the power line route.\