



## **MIDDLE TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION MINUTES OF October 17, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM

### **ATTENDANCE:**

**MEMBERS:** Gary Farrow, Rachel Reed, Vilma Pombo, Susan Copson, Betsy Haskin, Larissa Smith, Dawn Stimmel

**ABSENT:** Steve Atzert, Jeff Schafer, Lillian Armstrong, Liz Terenik

### **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:**

Approval of Minutes – August 15, 2012

On Motion By: Rachel Reed

Seconded By: Vilma Pombo

Minutes were approved.

### **1.) Communications**

- Louis Berger Group – Notification of TWA Application-GSP Interchanges 9 to 11 Improvements-No Comment
- Nature Conservancy – Transfer of Parkland-Multiple Blocks and Lots-No Comment
- Adfams, Rehmann & Heggan – CAFRA Permit Application-#0506-12-0011.1 (CAF120001)-Blocks 115.01, Lot 2 ARH#50=-52221-Applicant-Board of Chosen Freeholders-CMC Correctional Facility Expansion – No Comment
- Langan Engineering and Environmental Services-Garden State Parkway-Service Areas and Interchanges-Cape May, Atlantic, Burlington, Ocean, Monmouth, Middlesex, Union, Essex, Passaic and Bergen Counties.- No Comment
- Notice of Application-DEP=NJ American Water-Application No. 5054 to divert water from three existing wells in Middle Township: Application No. 5240 to increase diversion from five existing wells screened in Cohansey aquifer and one proposed new well screened in the Cohansey aquifer located in Lower Township-Involves 11 Subdivisions-Vilma stated Jody Carara was going to find out which subdivisions for her.
- EDA Engineering-Waterfront Development Individual Permit Application for Block 135.02, Lot 2 –This is in Stone Harbor Manor-installation of floating doc and ramp - No comment.
- Adams, Rehmann & Heggan-Modification of Coastal General Permit (NJAC 7:7E-7.9c)-No 0506-12-0002.1-Proposed Single Family Home Reconstruction

submitted by Richard Manfredi-Block 140, Lot 17 – Modification to relocate septic system at a property on Pierces Point Rd. - No Comment.

- Hardship Variance-Applicant: Gerald and Frances Davis – Block 117.04, Lots 4; 561 Avalon Boulevard – Avalon Blvd. – this was already hear on October 11 2012 – Rachel thinks they had to make changes and it has to go back before Zoning Board.
- Rio Grande Housing Partners, LLC-Letter of Interpretation-Block 1523, Lots 3&4; Rio Grande Avenue Parcels – Chairman Atzert wrote up recommendations for native plants and grasses.
- Zoning Board – Applicant 47D3LLC-Blocks 355.02; Lots 1: 1263 Rt 9 S –Dollar General-Submitted by Dynamic Engineering – This already passed the September 13<sup>th</sup> Zoning Board Meeting.
- Planning Board – Applicant Rio Grande Housing Partners LLC – Major Site Plan & Hardship Variance-Block 1523, Lots 3&4; 4006 Rt 9 S; Submitted by Dante Gussz Engineering – Same as #9 above.
- Planning Board – Applicant Middle Township Housing Associates, LLC - Major Site Plan-Block 56.01, Lot 46; 8 Railroad Avenue – Submitted by Birdsall Services Group. - 48 Sites on this - goes to the Planning Board on October 25, 2012.
- Application submitted by Cape Regional Holdings, LLC-128 Magnolia Dr., Block 216, Lots 2 &3 – pavement and pervious service – placement of one or more buildings on site – No Comment.

2.) Sustainable New Jersey Report-Liz Terenik - None

3.) Unfinished Business

- Spoke of possibly getting grant for low flow toilets and faucets in all of the township's buildings.
- Vilma spoke of the Harvest Fest and asked if anyone would volunteer. Rachel said she could cover the morning. If it rains on Saturday, it will be held on Sunday. If held on Sunday, Gary said he could help.
- The clean up was supposed to be the end of this month. Discussed postponing until November 17<sup>th</sup>. Not enough time to advertise and get people together. Chairman Atzert had gotten a list of places to do.

4.) New Business

- Vilma suggested some projects for next year such as looking into grants for people to have their wells tested. She also showed the committee a coloring book that Cape May had come out with regarding low watering and also various activities for kids to do....it also talks about native species. They had this done with a grant. Something we should consider.
- Betsy Haskin thinks we should consider doing a Smart Grant in township next year.

5.) Meeting adjourned (time) 7:20 pm

On Motion By: Larissa Smith

Seconded By: Gary Farrow