

Franklin Township Environmental Commission
Meeting Minutes
September 10, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM, and the Sunshine Law notice read. The roll was called. Present were: W. Andrews, A. Schmidt, D. Triggs, A. Vernick; and Council liaison T. Chase. Absent: T. Biercz, J. Clyde, C. MacIvor, D. Pydeski, and P. Walitsky. An insufficient number of members were present to constitute a quorum, thus no formal action was taken during the meeting.

Chair's report: one Hazardous Substance Release report was received from the DEP: "unknown fertilizer applied". A report was received from the Licensed Site Remediation Specialist in charge of the Sicora Motors site, 541 Somerset St., stating that clean-up is complete. A notice was received of application for a flood hazard area verification, hardship exception and individual permit for construction of a hotel at 315 Davidson Ave. A letter was received from Deborah Mitchell, township CDBG coordinator, stating that the Commission is "making diligent efforts to comply with HUD requirements" regarding the grant, i.e. we passed the HUD site visit.

The minutes of the August 20 meeting were not acted on due to lack of a quorum.

The web site received two nominations for Environmental Stewardship awards, neither was judged appropriate. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.

One plan was reviewed: a solar cell field for L'Oréal.

Community garden: nothing new from J. Walker.

W. Andrews brought up the problem of non-compliance with the pet waste pick-up ordinance in the New Brunswick Rd – Hickory Rd area.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 PM.