

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MINUTES
MAY 10, 2010**

Present: E. Davis (Chair), D. Lischick (Vice-Chair), B. Frost, M. Pinney, B. Quaglierini, J. Torno (open session), T. Zabrosky, R. Peerboom (Alternate 2)

Executive Session was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

General Session was called to order at 8:07 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Committeeman Dorfman was present for the general session

B. Quaglierini moved to approve the minutes of April 12, 2010, and B. Frost seconded. Motion was approved.

The Endangered Species Ordinance will be discussed at the Planning Board meeting on the 12th.

Several EC members agreed be present for the discussion.

Mayor N. Grbelja responded to Chairman Davis' memo re the dilapidated house on Perrineville Rd. A possible grant is in the works to clean up the area.

Jennifer Coffey from Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Assoc. was present to answer questions about the abovementioned report and the succeeding newspaper article (which she did not write). She made the following points

- The report was sent to ECS, PBS Twp Committee members (via Mayors) two weeks before it was sent to the press.
- The goal was to stimulate concern and initiate changes. They looked at towns, ordinances and science. She summarized what is in the report and talked about DEP data vs Stony Brook data. DEP monitors only once every five years.
- "Millstone is in decent shape."
- The water referred to in the report is surface water, NOT drinking water.
- Some of the DEP data is probably more accurate than others. Overall, the data is fairly dependable.
- Weather can make a huge difference in data.
- Phosphates are a problem here.
- She urged the Commission to write ordinances to protect buffers and wetlands and pointed out that streams do not necessarily mean wetlands. Wetlands are regulated by the State but streams are under municipal control.

G. Dorfman explained that there has been no progress with the dilapidated building because of financial expenses (legal fees) and, as the Mayor explained, funding avenues are being explored.

T. Zabrosky spoke about the mines in town. Many federal citations have been issued against them. They do not have required MSHA numbers. She will forward all her correspondence re the mines to M. Shafai.

There was no PB report other than the upcoming discussion of the Endangered Species Ordinance.

B. Quaglierini moved to adjourn at 10:10 p.m. Seconded by R. Peerboom. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary D. Pinney, secretary pro tem