

Highland Park Environmental Commission
Meeting of July 16, 2008
Minutes

Present: Jonathan Abrahams, Michael Rosenberg, Councilman Jon Erickson

Absent: Steve Barnes, Joan Ehrenfeld, Gabor Grunstein, Arnold Henderson, Allan Williams

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:20 PM in the Environmental Education Center. There was no quorum present. Many members are on summer vacation.

2. The minutes of the June 18, 2008 meeting were reviewed and approved.

3. There was no correspondence.

4. Site Plans

- a. S.A.M. Enterprises
114 Johnson Street
Block 16, Lots 5,6,&7

The applicant proposes to subdivide a 13,440 square foot property into two conforming lots of 6,720 square feet each. An existing single family home will remain and a second single family home is planned. No Comments.

- b. 4R KIDZ II, LLC
250 South Adelaide Avenue
Block 75, Lots 2,3,20,21 and 24a

This is a revised site plan. The original site plan that was reviewed by the Environmental Commission in June was to relocate an existing home and to build four new homes. In the revised site plan, the existing home will remain in its present location and two new homes fronting on South Adelaide Avenue will be constructed. This is a much better plan. No steep slopes will be affected and our comments seem to have been addressed.

5. Old Business

- a. Environmental Education Center - Weeding of the green roof will be done by DPW personnel. Soil from the high school football field project has some contamination and can not be used as cover at the EEC. The Borough is expecting a report from CME with the lab results.
- b. Rainbow Cleaners/Astra Cleaners Groundwater Contamination – Mike Rosenberg spoke with the case manager at NJDEP. The DEP has confirmed both soil and

groundwater contamination including off-site. A homeowner, several doors down, removed an underground storage tank and found chlorinated dry-cleaning solvents in the excavation. Not sure how far the contamination has spread. The responsible property owner may be bankrupt.

6. New Business

a. Compact fluorescent bulbs may now be dropped off at DPW for recycling.

7. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 PM. There is no meeting in August. The next meeting will be on Wednesday September 17, 2008 at 8:00 PM.