

**Alloway Township Environmental Commission
Regular Monthly Meeting November 12th, 2012**

Attendees: Craig Kane, Frank Ponti and Marilyn Patterson

Absent: Joe Ingerson-Mahar, Brynn Reilley, Anne Sullivan, and Chris Gilbert

The October minutes were approved as read.

The Planning Board received two letters of intent to perform wetlands delineations on Bruce Cobb's property Block 103 and Lot 19, and Ranch Hopes property Block 61 Lot 7.

Craig reported from the Planning Board that they are working on a Minor Sub-division Ordinance.

Craig is also continuing to work on his Environmental Impact Statement for the Planning Board.

Guest Phil Donahue once again asked what we were doing about draining the "swamp" on Woodstown Alloway Road. We once again explained that we considered it wetlands and that even if it wasn't we have no jurisdiction over private property. We acknowledged that it probably does have a pipe that drains it into Alloway Lake and that pipe may be clogged. We also expressed concerns that clearing the pipe would increase the flow of water containing farm run-off into the lake. He stated he objects to it "because it is an eye-sore and it attracts mosquitoes". We suggested that he contact the Salem County Mosquito Control to ask that Mosquito Dunks to be placed in the pond. Mosquito Dunks only kill mosquito larvae and do not harm other wildlife.

The members present thought it might be a good idea to ask the Township Committee to attend one of our meetings early next year. Since it will be a new board we want to take the opportunity to ask what they expect of us and how we can help them. Marilyn has offered to do a short Power Point showing the diversity of habitat and some of the unique plant and animal life found in the Township.

The meeting was adjourned.