

**Readington Township
Environmental Commission Meeting
Minutes
April 16, 2019**

OPEN MEETING

The meeting was called to order by Liz Duffy at 7:45 p.m. stating that the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting had been duly advertised.

Members in Attendance

Liz Duffy
Jerry Cook
Christina Albrecht
Jonathan Heller
Robert Becker
Stephen Foster
Todd Terricone

Members Absent

Neil Hendrickson
Jason Giroud
Judith Tutela

Also Present

Mike Sanders on behalf of PMG Retail LLC

Minutes

Mr. Heller moved, and Mr. Cook seconded, a motion to approve the minutes for April 2, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

Site Plan Review- PMG Retail LLC (Quick Chek)- Block 39, Lots 56 & 57, Preliminary & Final Major Site Plan and Minor Subdivision

Ms. Duffy noted that several reports were received from the Township professionals who reviewed the application.

The committee reviewed the reports of the Township professionals specifically those of the Environmental Consultant and Planner. The outstanding issues were discussed at length in terms of stormwater management. Mr. Foster noted that applicants should be encouraged to also use non-structural stormwater abatement. The issue regarding the removal of trees within the frontage buffer on County Line Road was also discussed at length and it was noted that existing mature trees should be saved wherever possible. It was also noted that where trees must be removed, it is recommended that they be replaced with a variety of trees that are appropriate to the surrounding neighborhood.

Mr. Heller moved, and Mr. Foster seconded a motion to have the secretary prepare a memo to the Zoning Board supporting the recommendation of the Township Planner in their report dated March 18, 2019, updated April 9, 2019 contained in #5 on page 7 of 16 regarding saving existing mature trees, considering a variety of trees appropriate to the neighborhood and the selection of materials to be native

species. The Planner will provide the applicant with a list of appropriate native species per paragraph 4.3, # 7. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sanders, on behalf of the applicant noted that he felt it was very helpful for him to be present to be part of the discussion this evening to receive the comments of the Environmental Commission.

Mr. Sanders also noted that the applicant would be installing car charging stations as requested by the Board of Adjustment.

Adjournment

It was the consensus of the committee members to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Ann Marie Lehberger

Secretary to the Environmental Commission