

**Franklin Township Environmental Commission**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**November 5, 2012**

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM, and the roll called. Present were: W. Andrews, T. Biercz, C. MacIvor, A. Schmidt, A. Vernick, and Council liaison T. Chase. Absent: J. Clyde, D. Pydeski, P. Walitsky, D. Triggs.

Chair's report: he distributed final copies of the schedule of 2013 meeting dates as discussed and approved at the last meeting. The correct meeting time was sent to Joyce Miller, who reported that the corrected time was sent to the printer of the newsletter, who however failed to make the correction. She will see that a correction is printed in the next newsletter. One request for a Letter of Interpretation was received (for the former Chauncey's property in Franklin Park), and a publication from ANJEC concerning siting of solar cell arrays.

The minutes of the meeting of October 16 were approved. There was no news at the web site. One plan was reviewed – a small addition requiring a zoning variance.

Community gardens: C. MacIvor reported on her suggestion of developing a community garden on the lot at Norma Ave. and Martin St., at present a parking lot which is to be torn up in connection with the redevelopment of the former Franklin State Bank property at Franklin Blvd. and Hamilton St. by Genesis Inc. This suggestion has been sent to the Hamilton St. Business and Community Corporation in the hope that they will sponsor it. Genesis is a non-profit developer and cannot undertake development of the garden, though they will tear up the asphalt.

The Environmental Stewardship award will be given at the Council meeting on Dec. 11.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.