

MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING
OF JANUARY 17, 1996

TIME: 12:00 PM to 12:10 PM
DATE: Wednesday, January 17, 1996
PLACE: Canal Commission Office
Stockton, New Jersey



DELAWARE AND RARITAN
CANAL COMMISSION

ATTENDING:

COMMISSIONERS: Messrs. Herzog, Kirkland, Pauley, Torpey;
Mrs. Nash, Ms. Goodspeed

STAFF: Mr. Amon, Ms. Holms
Mr. Lewin Weyl, Deputy Attorney General

GUESTS: Kay & Larry Pitt, Canal Society of New Jersey
Ed Buss, NJ Water Supply Authority
Fred Brown, D&R Canal Watch
Paul Stern, D&R Canal State Park
Joe Bird
Bill McKelvey, Friends of NJRR & Transportation
Museum
Mitchell Newman, Legal Counsel, K. Hovnanian
Richard Swain, EMJ Corp.
Lee Dellicker, EMJ Corp.
Ken Colgate, EMJ Corp.
Kevin Moore, Jamieson, Moore, Peskin & Spicer
Doug McMurrain, Hendon Properties

Mr. Kirkland opened the meeting and announced that this was a Public Hearing being held for the purpose of considering the change of metes and boundaries of an easement that was given to the Delaware and Raritan Canal Commission.

Mr. Newman, representing the applicant, K. Hovnanian, explained that a conservation easement was placed on either side of Denow Road in Hopewell Township for the purpose of protecting a stream corridor which runs through the development known as Mershon Chase & Smith Crossing at Brandon Farms (Blocks 78/78.20, Lots 14 & 11.30/328). Mercer County is now requesting that Denow Road be realigned to avoid intrusion into wetlands. The applicant has offered to add adjacent land to the conservation easement in exchange for allowing the road to be built on land currently protected by the easement. The net amount of land would result in a minor increase of land protected by easement.

Mr. Herzog moved approval of changing the metes and boundaries of the easement to accommodate the realignment of Denow Road.

Ms. Goodspeed seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

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