

**FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
JOINT MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting January 19, 2017

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Brady at 7:33 pm.

Announcement of Proper Notice

Notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice at the Township Municipal Building in Johnsonburg, and advertising in the New Jersey Herald and Express Times, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. As advertised, action may be taken at this meeting.

Attendance

Members Present:

Marty Connor FLP & OS, David Boynton, II FLP & OS, Rich Dericks FLP, Charlie Schaffer FLP, Chris Kuhn OS & FLP, Amy Winfield OS, Rick Rogers FLP, Dan Carson OS, and Ralph Corvino OS.

Members Absent:

Wendy Buttgerreit OS and Bob Young FLP

Reorganization

Mr. Connor made a motion to appoint Ms. Buttgerreit as Chair of the Open Space Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuhn all in favor - aye.

Mr. Schaffer made a motion to appoint Mr. Boynton as Chair of the Farmland Preservation Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuhn all in favor - aye.

Mr. Kuhn made a motion to appoint Mr. Connor as Vice- Chair of the Open Space Committee, seconded by Ms. Winfield all in favor - aye.

Mr. Schaffer made a motion to appoint Mr. Dericks as Vice-Chair of the Farmland Preservation Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuhn all in favor - aye.

Meeting Dates

Mr. Connor made a motion to approve amended 2017 meeting dates, seconded by Mr. Schaffer all in favor - aye.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Schaffer made a motion to approve the November 2, 2016 Joint Farmland Preservation and Open Space meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor - aye. Mr. Kuhn, Mr. Rogers, Mr. Corvino, and Ms. Winfield abstained.

Old Business

FFP Update: Mr. Connor announced that the Township approved a resolution (2016-09) establishing a Trails subcommittee under the jurisdiction of the Open Space Committee. In addition, he stated that the Recreation Committee is doing a lot of outreach and is planning activities.

Open Space Stewardship Initiatives: Mr. Kuhn stated that he is working on a grant, along with the

Environmental Committee, and will be submitting an application.

Trails Committee: Mr. Connor explained that he discussed the formation of a trails committee with the Township Committee and it was determined that such committee is not necessary now. The Open Space Committee will handle any items that would have been the responsibility of the proposed trails committee.

New Business

Parking at the Recreation Center: Mr. Kuhn made a motion to approve the construction of additional parking at the recreation Center to support events and activities, such as: archery, nature walks, and a fishing derby, seconded by Mr. Connor all in favor - aye.

Open Space Progress Report: Ms. Urgo (The Land Conservancy) provided the following information:

- Review of existing state holdings, potential additions: We plan to launch this outreach effort in early spring, 2017
- Green acres has announced a funding round with a due date of February 15, 2017. See attached draft request, which as proposed would be strictly to provide a pass through of state funding in support of Bobcat Alley projects (will bring draft request to meeting).

Mr. Carson made a motion in support of Ms. Urgo submitting an application to Green Acres on the Township's behalf, seconded by Ms. Connor all in favor - aye.

Public Comment

Mr. Kuhn made a motion to open the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Connor all in favor - aye. Meeting opened to the public at 8:16.

Mr. Kuhn made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Mr. Boynton all in favor - aye. Meeting closed to the public at 8:16.

Executive Session

Mr. Connor made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Mr. Kuhn all in favor - aye. Entered into executive session at 8:17.

Mr. Kuhn made a motion to exit into executive session, seconded by Mr. Schaffer all in favor - aye. Exited executive session at 8:39.

No action taken.

Correspondence

None.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Schaffer, seconded by Mr. Connor to adjourn the meeting. All members present were in favor of adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Brady,
Farmland Preservation and Open Space Secretary