

FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes of March 3, 2010

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Donna Zilberfarb at 7:04 pm.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PROPER NOTICE

Notice of this meeting was provided by advertising in the Express Times and New Jersey Herald, the official newspapers of the Township of Frelinghuysen, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Action may be taken at the meeting as advertised.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Leigh Kramer, Maureen Cullen, Robin Randolph, Nancy Nicholoff and Cliff Kimball

Members absent: Tom Charles and Dan Carson

The Land Conservancy: Megan Haidet

REORGANIZATION

Motion was made by Maureen Cullen to nominate Robin Randolph for Chairperson, seconded by Nancy Nicholoff, all in favor - aye.

Motion was made by Robin Randolph to nominate Nancy Nicholoff for Vice Chairperson, seconded by Leigh Kramer, all in favor – aye.

Motion was made by Maureen Cullen to nominate Donna Zilberfarb for secretary, seconded by Nancy Nicholoff, all in favor – aye.

MINUTES

Nancy Nicholoff made a motion to approve the revised December 9, 2009 minutes, seconded by Leigh Kramer, all in favor - aye. Leigh Kramer abstained.

Leigh Kramer made a motion to approve the revised January 6, 2010 minutes, seconded by Maureen Cullen, all in favor - aye. Nancy Nicholoff and Robin Randolph abstained.

Nancy Nicholoff made a motion to approve the revised February 3, 2010 joint meeting minutes, seconded by Cliff Kimball, all in favor - aye. Robin Randolph abstained.

OLD BUSINESS

- Open Space/Farmland Trust Fund Balance – The combined total is \$190,184.33.
- Chipper Party – Ms. Randolph would like to have another chipper party to finish the 5 acre piece by the townhall but will wait until April or May, when it gets a little warmer. Frank Desiderio commented that approximately 30 trees need to come down carefully as they are close to the houses and that we don't have enough man power to do it at this time. Ms. Randolph offered open space volunteers to cut trees down and have the road department possibly chip them up. Ms. Randolph also stated that she is willing to help create and work on the walking trail. Mr. Kimball brought up the Recreation and Open Space plan and how '09 things haven't been done and now '10 things are coming up. Ms. Randolph explained that the Reisberg acquisition consumed a major amount of the committees time.

Ms. Randolph asked Mr. Kimball to share with the committee the thoughts of recreation. Mr. Kimball said originally there were going to be 2 ball fields because of difference between little league and softball and a soccer field.

- Goals - Megan Haidet brought a list of goals for open space. Ms. Nicholoff created a spreadsheet/grid to align properties with different important criteria from the survey sent out in 2009. She explained all aspects of the information and explained how the information will help with the target list of properties.

Ms. Randolph asked Ms. Zilberfarb to bring copies of the letters sent to properties owners to the next meeting and to email them to Ms. Nicholoff prior to next meeting. Ms. Randolph asked Ms. Cullen to help Ms. Nicholoff fill in the attributes. Ms. Nicholoff asked anyone who had any extra things to add to listing to send her an email.

NEW BUSINESS

- An accomplishment letter was handed out to all members present. Ms. Nicholoff made a motion to send these accomplishments to the township committee, seconded by Cliff Kimball, all in favor - aye.
- Property Walk - March 7, 2010 - meet at the townhall at 10:00 am and carpool to site. Ms. Zilberfarb will contact Brenda Kleber to invite the township committee members.
- Founders Day - Ms. Randolph would like open space to host a table again this year. She also feels that other groups should do a table as well.
- Members asked if April's meeting could be moved to the next week (the 14th). Ms. Zilberfarb will look into and email everyone the new date.

PUBLIC SESSION

Frank Desiderio asked to please send any information on Forestry Management to Brenda Kleber at the townhall. Ms. Randolph asked if anyone from the Environmental Commission will be CORE trained. Mr. Desiderio told of who already is trained and added Donna Zilberfarb as getting trained. Ms. Randolph would like to hear when the grant is approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

No action was taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was reviewed.

- Land Conservation Rally - March 2, 2010

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m. with a motion by Maureen Cullen, seconded by Cliff Kimball. All members present in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb
Open Space Commission Secretary