

**Frelinghuysen Township Open Space Advisory Commission  
Minutes of October 1, 2008**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Robin Randolph at 6:47 p.m.

**Announcement of Proper Notice**

Notice of this meeting was provided by advertising in the Star Gazette 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: Robin Randolph, Alan DeCarolis, Nancy Nicholoff, Leigh Kramer (6:51), Cliff Kimball; Maureen Cullen

Members absent: Tom Finn

**Minutes**

Nancy Nicholoff made a motion to approve the September 3, 2008 minutes, seconded by Cliff Kimball, all in favor – aye.

**Old Business**

- Forestry Management Plan – Nancy Nicholoff worked on obtaining a consultant. Started with names given to her from the commission members. 2 of the 3 were contacted and both declined. They did give Ms. Nicholoff some ideas for others. She went on the webpage and narrowed the names by county and some other criteria. Ms. Nicholoff put calls out to several people and spoke with Les Alpaugh of Stockton, Delaware Township. Mr. Alpaugh has written approximately 30 plans and has just written his second plan for Delaware Township. He will be putting an estimate in the mail to Nancy today and says that he only works from a purchase order.

The next step will be a meeting with Bill Crone, Robin Randolph, Nancy Nicholoff, Alan DeCarolis and Frank Desiderio. Once the estimate has been received and it is appropriate, Ms. Nicholoff will set up the meeting.

- Native/Invasive Resource Books – Maureen Cullen has put together a spreadsheet for checking the books out with Brenda Kleber. She has also put a disclaimer and pockets in each of the books.
- Red Oak Tree Placement – Robin Randolph stated that John Vuz will be planting the tree on Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Vuz is also planting a tree at the Frelinghuysen School in honor of Mrs. Leal on that date.
- Open Space Farmland Preservation Trust Fund balance as of August 31, 2008 is \$16,697.89 and approximately \$90,000 in the savings account.
- MLC Report – Was discussed during executive session

## **New Business**

- Megan Haidet of The Land Conservancy of New Jersey and Robin Randolph gave an eight minute presentation to the Warren County Charitable Trust Group regarding the Reisberg property on September 8<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Randolph felt it went well and that we should get notice by their December meeting.

There was a site visit of the Reisberg property on September 13<sup>th</sup>. Approximately 7-8 people came from Warren County and half walked the site. Ms. Randolph felt it went well. Ms. Randolph was able to answer questions for them. They wanted to be clear on where the lines between Green Acres and the Township would be.

- Ms. Randolph stated that Megan Haidet will bring an outreach letter to potential land owners to the November meeting.
- Tallying of the survey has begun with 154 completed thus far. Approximately 380 have been returned. People involved in tallying the survey are Donna Marie, Donna Eitner, Shannon Drylie, Robin Randolph and Nancy Nicholoff. Members feel there may be approximately 3 more sessions to be complete. Ms. Nicholoff inquired for those utilizing the data if they should compile in different ways. They will decide that once the answers get back to those utilizing it.

## **Public Session**

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made by Alan DeCarolis to go into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m., seconded by Cliff Kimball.

There was no action taken.

A motion was made by Alan DeCarolis to end Executive Session, seconded by Leigh Kramer. Executive session ended at 7:15 p.m.

## **Correspondence**

### **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m. with a motion by Alan DeCarolis, seconded by Leigh Kramer. All members present in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb  
Open Space Commission Secretary