

## FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION

Minutes of October 7, 2009

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Robin Randolph, Chair, at 6:50 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: Robin Randolph, Nancy Nicholoff, Cliff Kimball, Leigh Kramer, Maureen Cullen (7:00 pm) and Debra Natyzak (7:08 pm),

Members absent: Dan Carson

### MINUTES

Nancy Nicholoff made a motion to approve the revised September 2, 2009 minutes, seconded by Cliff Kimball, all in favor – aye. Leigh Kramer abstained.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

### OLD BUSINESS

- Forestry Management Plan – Plan has been approved and should receive reimbursement from the state in the amount of \$3,000 within the next couple of weeks. Frank Desiderio and Dan Harman will attend the annual conference for the New Jersey Shade Tree Foundation on Friday, October 23, 2009. They will earn 5 continuing education credits (CEU's) each.
- Open Space/Farmland Trust Fund Balance – The combined accounts balance: \$149,269.79 as of 9/30/2009.
- Chipper Party – Looking at dates of November 7th or 14th to continue at the school.
- Website Update - Ms. Randolph has some new open space information to post and will update changes with John Jurena.

### NEW BUSINESS

- Open Space and Recreation Plan - Ms. Randolph and members present went through sections of the plan regarding abandoned roads. An Abandoned road is township owned that is not maintained. These roads could create more hiking/walking areas for the township. Ms. Randolph would like to send a letter to the township committee and subcommittee members requesting consideration for not vacating roads, and instead to retain them as abandoned to be kept as part of preservation for historic and recreation purposes.

A motion was made by Nancy Nicholoff, to send a letter to the township committee members, seconded by Leigh, all in favor, aye.

Debra Natyzak offered to take a walk on Sunday, November 8th, for anyone interested, on these abandoned streets at 1 pm, specifically Dark Moon Road.

- Open Space Signs for Election - Ms. Randolph brought the Vote Open Space signs to post in support of the November ballot question. Ms. Randolph spoke with Mayor Durling for posting these signs. Looking at posting on or around October 17 and looking for volunteers to help post the large signs in the am on that date. Ms. Randolph also asked each member to take some signs home and post them on their roads. There are approximately 37 signs to post.
- Open Space Postcard - This is in support of the ballot question in November. Ms. Randolph will get a price for postage and postcard and bring to the township committee meeting in October for approval to send out to residents. There will be approximately 800. Ms. Nicholoff took a picture of a sign from Ms. Randolph and recreated it to put on for the postcard. Debra Natyzak suggested speaking with skylands printing to see what their cost would be. Ms. Natyzak will also speak with David Gill to obtain a disk for mailing labels.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Maureen Cullen made a motion to enter executive session at 7:51 pm seconded by Nancy Nicholoff.

No action was taken

- Cliff Kimball made a motion to exit executive session at 8:13 pm seconded by Nancy Nicholoff.

#### CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was reviewed.

- NJ DEP Division of Parks and Forestry - Tree City USA
- NJ DEP Division of Parks and Forestry - Forestry Mgmt Plan Approval

#### ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m. with a motion by Maureen Cullen, seconded by Leigh Kramer. All members present in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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Donna Zilberfarb  
Open Space Commission Secretary