

**Frelinghuysen Township Open Space Advisory Commission
Minutes of May 4, 2011**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Robin Randolph at 7:05 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 (Chair), Nancy Nicholoff, Wendy Buttgereit and Tom Charles

Members absent: Dan Carson, Cliff Kimball and Maureen Cullen

TLC representative present: Corey Tierney

Minutes

Motion was made by Nancy Nicholoff to approve April 6, 2011 meeting minutes, seconded by Wendy Buttgereit ,Tom Charles and Robin Randolph abstained.

Old Business

ANJEC Grant- Applied with the Land Conservancy looking for a phone call May 31, 2011.

Trust Fund Balance- Robin Randolph requested a payment of \$175.00 is in question and asked Doreen Rutherford to contact Gene McCartney to inform her she did not sign for that.

Wendy Buttgereit spoke on the hike to Mud Pond and said 8 families came. She expressed the view from the high rocks was wonderful. Robin Randolph recalled she had emails thanking them for the hike and said it was nice. Ms. Buttgereit took some photos.

New Business

Founders Day- Ms Randolph shared the June 4th date. She said Enviroscape will have a table for the stormwater presentation. Tom Charles shared they would not have the pig this year. Cost cuts needed to be made, but Tom mentioned they will still have traditional contests.

Environmental Commission Update- Nancy mentioned the Sustainable NJ. She shared that the Green Team is small and to a point that they can meet and interact with people within different committees.

Recreation Committee Update- Tom Charles spoke of the increase of softball players and that recreation is going well. The new ball field is operational. Mr. Charles shared that the pathway planning is moving along well and they are presently reviewing options and getting estimates. Tom Charles announced they are starting to bring back the baseball program. He stated in 1963 Frelinghuysen took a team to the Little League World Series.

Township Committee- Tom Charles spoke on the Township Committee and thanked Nancy Nicholoff for taking on the Green Team. He shared that the budget was passed and was lean due to a 2% cap. Mr. Charles said next year will probably have less aid to municipalities. He said the township sold some land to act as a cushion. Mr. Charles also spoke on the wind / solar ordinance and shared that it had passed and met the needs of the community. He planned on May being the month to work on the wood boiler ordinance. He said the stack height is a concern and May 19th will be a public hearing.

Planning Board- Robin Randolph shared the TLC references and mentioned wind/solar. mention was made that a sub-committee was formed to research zoning in the township. Tom

Hike - Robin Randolph said people at the Saturday hike wanted another, so she is looking into the Spesak farm. The dates reviewed were: June 11 and a rain date for June 18th.

Public Session- none

Executive Session

Tom Charles made a motion to go into executive session and Nancy Nicholoff seconded , session began at 7:39- closed at 7:54. No action was taken.

Correspondence

Robin Randolph reviewed the TLC newsletter and expressed appreciation.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. with a motion by Nancy Nicholoff, seconded by Wendy Buttgerit. All members present in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Doreen Rutherford
Open Space Commission Secretary