

**BOROUGH OF KINNELON**  
**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**December 13, 2017**

Meeting Called to Order (Time 7:35pm)

**Roll Call:** Attending: T. Kline, T. Roselius, S. Spinelli, R. Roy, G. Warren,  
Environmental Committee Liaison S. Simptner, Land Conservancy Liaison L. Gloshinski  
Absent: Mayor R. Collins, Council Liaison G. Sisco, L. Abderhalden

**Hearing from the Public** - None present.

**Review/approve meeting minutes** - Minutes for November 8, 2017 were approved; motion by B. Roy, seconded by G. Warren all in favor, none opposed.

**Council Liaison Report** - G. Sisco: Absent; nothing to report.

**L'Ecole Restoration Status** - T. Kline: Contractor completed last part of work this week by installing the handi-cap accessible door with hardware and patched up holes around it. Minor painting still to be done. Project essentially complete; paperwork still needs to be finalized and funds still need to be received from the County.

**Old Business:**

Maple Lake—Waiting to hear from boro attorney Ed Buzak.

New Pond—No news to report.

Town Wide Trail Plan—No news to report. Should hear shortly regarding end of the year grant award.

Dog Park—No news to report. Kinnelon Recreation Park will not be a good fit; not enough space there.

ROSI (Recreation and Open Space Inventory)—Will post the updated ROSI on the website. The ROSI lists encumbrances on properties owned by the boro that will never be sold and will only be used for recreation or passive activity. It is recorded at the County Clerk's office so everyone knows it can't be sold or developed. The ROSI is updated periodically as the Borough preserves lands. The Open Space and Inventory Plan has the last approved ROSI in it. We would not revise that portion of the plan; however, the plan needs to be updated every 10 years. The next update would need to be completed and adopted by March 2022.

KCC—On December 7<sup>th</sup> there was a meeting with the Highlands Council sub-committee which was well received by council members. DEP & Highlands Council met on December 12<sup>th</sup>. It's a complicated process—have to make sure that all the criteria can be met in order to approve the waiver. Hoping to be on the Highland Council's agenda for the February 15<sup>th</sup> or March 15<sup>th</sup> hearing, where the Council will vote on the project. The HPAA and Waiver is being reviewed concurrently. The HPAA will be denied, and the Waiver will require approval from NJDEP and The Highlands Council. It is anticipated that the approvals will be granted.

**New Business:**

Reprioritize Open Space acquisitions: Last time this was done, ranking sheets were handed out for the committee to rate the properties 0-3. Linda's suggestion of things to evaluate this time- rate plus or minus by: block/lot, acreage, assessment, taxes, wetlands, lakes or ponds, streams, steep slopes, dams, powerlines, distance to Open Space, is there a structure? On the evaluation form there are comment and open space recommendations sections. The last time this was done was in 2012 and a number of the listed properties have been acquired since then. For the new list of open properties—Do the properties have to be prioritized? Or is it better to just have a list of open properties? Council has to be notified of the committee's interest in any property that's new to the list and they have to authorize its inclusion.

Continuing Open Space Site Visits: Nothing new to report.

Non-ROSI boro properties: There are boro-owned properties that are non-buildable lots. Should get them off the inventory list and back into tax rolls. To be discussed in February when Linda returns.

**Closed Session – Land Acquisitions:**

Time into closed 8:20pm with a motion by S. Simptner and seconded by S. Spinelli, all in favor, none opposed.

Time out of closed 9:10pm with a motion by S. Simptner and seconded by S. Spinelli, all in favor, none opposed.

In closed session, land acquisitions and prioritization of any future land purchases in the boro were discussed.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 – 7:30 pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Borough Hall**

**Adjournment:** Time 9:10 pm, Motion: S. Simptner, second B. Roy, all in favor, none opposed.

*At the January 10, 2018 meeting, on a motion by Scot Simptner and seconded by Bob Roy, and the affirmative voice vote of all members present with the exception of Mayor Robert Collins who abstained, the December 13, 2017 minutes were approved. All in favor-none opposed.*

