

BOROUGH OF KINNELON
OPEN SPACE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes for January 11, 2012

The OSPAC Meeting was called to order at 7:35 PM on January 11, 2012. Gene O. read the Sunshine Provision:

This meeting is held pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting act. Adequate notice of this meeting was advertised in the January 2, 2012 edition of the Trends and was provided to the Star Ledger, Daily Record and North Jersey Herald News on December 11, 2011. Adequate notice of this meeting was also posted on the municipal building bulletin board, filed with the Borough clerk and provided to those persons or entities requesting notification.

Roll Call/In Attendance: Amanda Hagl, Tom Kline, Gene Orcutt, Steve Pileggi, Glenn Sisco, Vanessa Smalley, Steve Cobell & Mayor Collins

Absent: Carol Sventy & Carol Vreeland

Nomination & Election of Committee Officers:

- Nominations for Chair & Vice Chair of the Open Space Committee
Chairperson Nomination:
Carol Sventy nominated by Gene Orcutt and seconded by Glenn Sisco.
All in favor – none opposed.
Vice Chairperson Nomination:
Gene Orcutt nominated by Tom Kline and seconded by Glenn Sisco
All in favor – none opposed

Hearing from the Public: None present

Land Conservancy of NJ Report – Linda Glosinski

- Green Acres Planning Incentive Grant program applications are due by 2/15/12. Since we already have an account, we just need to put together a letter of intent for the amount of dollars we are looking for and identify potential acquisitions. First property: Wheeler property off Brook Valley Road - possibly sub-dividing & creating a greenway & using for active recreation. Second property: Tom Kline suggested the Boonton Avenue property located next to the new recreation field and owned by the Church for active recreation. Linda G. reminded the committee about the Highlands Reservation and how the property is mostly forested. Linda G. will draft a letter with the 2 properties for the council to review.
- National Recreation Trail's Program – Deadline for application is 2/15/12. All the information will need to be gathered and submitted with this grant. Need to start working on getting information together this week of different engineering costs. It's a very competitive grant. Maybe look for connecting existing trails together. Possibly look to connect the Weber acquisition with the Morris County Park Commission piece into Silas Condict Park. We have to identify the length of the trail. Another recommendation instead of doing kiosks, is to have an aluminum/metal platform that holds names of websites, maps and information. Adding a trail head and parking area are also some suggestions.

- Tom asked if an application can be done on State owned properties. Linda G. will look into this. Since trails are being inventoried with the Open Space Update Plan and we may not get the application submitted by the February deadline, she suggested that we keep this in mind and perhaps put in an application for trails in Oct/Nov 2012.
- Trails information meeting: There was a meeting from 12 -2pm at the library today. Members from Smoke Rise were present. Gene is waiting to hear about the outcome of the meeting.
- Weber reimbursement – Final site inspection was done on January 6th. No issues were raised. A Green Acres Preserved Land sign will be posted as you enter the property.
- Totowa Constructors – waiting to hear back from their engineers on the design work for the property.
- Greenway Maps – were on display at the library and will also be at the Borough Clerks office for review.

Old Business:

- Property prioritization and/or acquisitions. Committee is working on this and is in the process of updating the Open Space Inventory.
- Review / Approve meeting minutes for December 14, 2011
Approved by Steve Pileggi & seconded by Vanessa Smalley
Amanda Hagl, & Steve Cobell abstained as were not present
All in favor – None opposed

New Business:

- Approval of 2012 meeting dates. Motion to approve by Tom Kline & 2nd by Gene O. All in favor. None Opposed
- Historical Preservation Update: Last year they applied through County for a grant to prepare the historical preservation plan for the museum. Came to Opens Space asking for funding (80/20). Have not received draft of the plan from architect as of yet. Construction grant is a 3 yr process. 1st year you get a grant for the historic preservation plan. 2nd yr is a grant for the construction documents and the 3rd yr you can go out and get construction money. Looking at about \$20,000 to prepare the construction & bidding documents. The Historical Commission will be looking for 80% (16,000) of those funds from the county and needing the other 20% (4,000) from the Open Space & Historic Preservation trust fund. In 2013 phasing into about a \$200,000 construction project needing approx \$40,000 from the fund. 1st phase: porch, 2nd Phase: siding, 3rd Phase: roof
- Turf Fields: Tom K. would like to volunteer to do a study to research the benefits of going to turf fields. Steve C. mentioned that Tom can speak to Jim Freda as he has a lot of this information.
- The museum has been given a lot of maps and open space material from Lucy Meyer. The historic committee will go through and catalog this information. It was approved by the Council that Tom Kline is now the town historian.

Next meeting: Wednesday, February 8, 2012 at 7:30 PM

Motion to Adjourn: at 8:27 pm, a motion from Tom Kline to adjourn the meeting, was seconded by Amanda Hagl - All in favor.

At the February 8, 2012 OSAC Meeting, the meeting minutes for January 11, 2012 were approved by a motion made by Tom Kline & seconded by Glenn Sisco, All in favor – None opposed