

**BOROUGH OF KINNELON**  
**OPEN SPACE PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Meeting Minutes for February 8, 2012**

The OSPAC Meeting was called to order at 7:29 PM on February 8, 2012. Carol S. 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 15, 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: Ron Mondello, Amanda Hagl, Tom Kline, Steve Pileggi, Glenn Sisco, Vanessa Smalley, Carol Sventy, Carol Vreeland & Mayor Collins

Absent: Gene Orcutt

**Hearing from the Public:** None present

**Land Conservancy of NJ Report – Linda Glosinski**

- Green Acres PIG - TLC-NJ prepared a draft letter for the Borough requesting an additional \$250,000 in funding. The Borough has sent the letter to Green Acres. Projects identified were the Wheeler Tract, Totowa Constructors, Inc. and the Boonton Ave Tract next to the existing athletic fields. The current PI balance is \$1,100,000. After reimbursement for the Weber tract the balance will be approx. \$470,000.
- Weber Reimbursement: Vouchers were sent to the Borough for signatures. The reimbursement was adjusted to request \$600,000 (rather than \$300,000) from the PI account, since the Borough has a current balance of \$1,100,000 and may be in jeopardy of losing such funds since no other projects are active at this time. Funds utilized from the Borough Open Space Trust towards the \$2.8 million property ended up only being \$24,871.18
- Totowa Constructors – owner is willing to continue discussions. The owner's engineer is preparing information to demonstrate that the lot could be sub-divided into more than one lot, pre-highlands regulations. A draft plan is to be forwarded to TLC-NJ early next week for review.
- Tax Title Liens – Waiting to hear from Town Council on any lots that they may want to pursue.
- Tom K. suggested a piece of property that may be worth looking into. The Badaan property which is 114 acres goes from Saw Mill Road up the mountain out towards RT 287. Part of Waughaw Greenway. Would be suitable for passive recreation. Amanda H. asked about the property owned by Jack's Petting Zoo. Jack has been asked in the past but hasn't responded.
- The committee needs to do another property prioritization. Carol S. will put together the worksheets for the March meeting.

**OSR Plan Update**

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> public meeting was held on February 2, 2012. Maps are available at the library as well as the clerk's office at the Borough Hall. They are also available on the Borough website and any comments/suggestions can be emailed to [Kinnelon\\_OSAC@Yahoo.com](mailto:Kinnelon_OSAC@Yahoo.com) or directly to TLC-NJ before 2/29/12. The next public meeting to adopt this OSR Plan will be on April 5, 2012 at the Planning Board meeting at 7:30 PM.
- Carol V. asked if Historical was still listed in the committee's name. Carol S. asked Barbara H. about that and they didn't want to change the name from The Open Space and Recreation Plan although the Trust Fund is called Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, the ordinance does include the word 'Historic' in the name of the trust fund. There are legalities to changing the name to read the same as the Trust Fund name reads. Carol S. is

waiting to hear back from Kathleen Caccavale regarding how historic information can be included in the OSR Update Plan.

- Amanda suggested that she, Steve & Vanessa contact the guidance counselors at school and put an announcement on the morning show regarding any interests in helping out with the mapping of the trails. Carol S. said they need to set up a sub-committee and will need to get in contact with someone from NY/NJ trails as to getting the equipment to use.

#### **L'Ecole Restoration Status – Tom Kline**

- In January the historic committee read over the draft of their plan. Plan is very detailed and will have report complete by the end of February. They will submit to County and go through the payment process. The major issues at the Museum are roof, porch, siding & finishes. Tom will email copy of the plan to any committee members that may want to read it.
- Carol V. asked if anything could be "green" in the museum for Sustainable Jersey while still maintaining the historical integrity of the building.

#### **Old Business:**

- Carol S. received a call from Galena A. from KCG with an update. They are working toward obtaining their 501c3 (non-profit status). The committee is also creating a data base of grants that they can apply for once non-profit status is achieved. They are also attending seminars on gardening. Working on mailing for fundraising. Looking to use rain barrels for the supply of water but looking into another source in case of drought situation.
- The KCG business plan was distributed to the Council for review. Carol S. will email the plan to Beth for any council members that do not have it.
- Tom K. announced that Lucy Meyer has donated about 150 maps and numerous boxes of information to the Borough of Kinnelon. There are open space, parcel, topo maps of Pyramid and Buck Mountain and natural resource inventory maps. The museum is currently cataloging the maps and boxes of information.
- Review / Approve meeting minutes for January 11, 2012  
Approved by Tom Kline & seconded by Glenn Sisco  
Ron Mondello, Carol S. & Carol V. abstained as they were not present  
All in favor – None opposed

#### **New Business:**

- Kinnelon Conserves is hosting Earth Day on April 28, 2012. OSPAC will have a table showing the Open Space Update Plan and display the three maps.
  - Motion to have a table at the Earth Day event approved by 1<sup>st</sup> Glenn Sisco and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Tom Kline. All in favor. None opposed.
- ANJEC & TLC-NJ are sponsoring a program Conservation U on March 10, 2012

**Next meeting:** Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 7:30 PM

**Motion to Adjourn:** at 8:35pm, a motion from Tom Kline to adjourn the meeting, was seconded by Glenn Sisco. All in favor.

*At the March 14, 2012 OSAC Meeting, the meeting minutes for February 8, 2012 were approved by a motion made by Tom Kline & seconded by Steve Cobell, All in favor – None opposed*