

BOROUGH OF KINNELON
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2012

The OSPAC Meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM on March 14, 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: Steve Cobell, Amanda Hagl, Tom Kline, Gene Orcutt, Steve Pileggi, Carol Sventy & Carol Vreeland Absent: Glenn Sisco & Vanessa Smalley

Hearing from the Public: None present

Council OS Committee – Steve Cobell

- Steve handed out a copy of the statement of the funds in the Open Space Recreation Historic Preservation Trust Fund. As of December 31, 2011 is \$701,454.63.
- Looking for information from finance on the 34 acre expenditures for Open Space update. Will ask attorney if they have the figures. The committee asked to see a list of the properties.
- Borough attorney to begin foreclosures on the tax title lien properties. Kinnelon Borough will gain approx \$85,000 in county & school taxes.

Land Conservancy of NJ Report – Linda Glosinski

- Weber re-imburement TLC is in the process of updating Rosi. Waiting for sign off from Borough then will send to Green Acres. This information will be in the updated plan.
- Totowa Constructors – plan has been sent to TLC & the Borough engineer showing that 3 lots could be constructed on the property. Their engineer did not include a slope analysis or subject suitability analysis so it is back to 1 lot for the property.
- Tax title liens – waiting to hear from council on any of the properties that they are looking into.
- Next public Open Space Plan Update meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 5th @ 7:00. Will take place before the scheduled Planning Board meeting.

Old Business:

OSR Plan Update

- Third and final meeting is on Thursday, April 5 @ 7:00 PM.
- Finalized plan needs to be into the Planning Board by 4/21/12.
- Historic issues: Were there any resolutions for the L'Ecole Museum. There was a resolution passed in March 2011 to authorize the Mayor to sign the grant application for the county for the Historic Preservation.
- Reference to inventory that was done on previous Historic sites.
- Kathleen C. is going to contact Tom K. regarding the Historic issues she has questions on.
- Steve C. suggested a general statement of costs be added to plan. There is a benefit of preserved land statement that has been added to other open space update plans.

- Sustainable Jersey information should remain in the plan in the Environmental Resource Inventory rather than the Open Space plan.
- Bike route – when was it started? Steve C. thought it went in 2004.
- Review / Approve meeting minutes for February 8, 2012 **with revisions to Carol V. comment regarding L'Ecole Restorations. Re-word to say "I understand that you have to maintain the historical integrity of the building"**.
Approved by Tom Kline & seconded by Steve C.
Gene O. abstained as he was not present
All in favor – None opposed
- Submitted application for the Kinnelon Conserves Earth Day event. The Sustainable Jersey, Environmental Committee, Stonybrook School Gardens and Open Space Recreation Historical Commission tables are going to be in the same area.
- Previously reported Sustainable Jersey and Open Space Update is given 5 points from the Sustainable Jersey but it is 10 points.
- Open Space update plan is given 1 hard copy and 1 copy on disk from TLC. The plan can be put on website in PDF format but would like to print a couple of copies for the different committees. Waiting to hear who can do the printing from Beth. Would like to have for 4/28 Earth Day fair.

New Business:

Environmental Commission Project:

- Environmental Commission Project – Natural Resource Inventory Update was originally done by Lucy Meyer back in 1974. The Environmental Commission can get a matching grant through ANJAC. They offer a \$5,000 grant and the other \$5,000 can come from Open Space. The uses for this inventory can be used by Planning Board, Board of Adjustment, Open Space Recreation Historical. Also Carol V. would like to see copies in the school at the Middle & High School level. Grant application is due by the end of March.
- This inventory of mapping is more extensive that what is in the Open Space Inventory update.
- Carol V. representing the Environment Commission and Sustainable Jersey would like to request funds from the Open Space Trust for \$5,000 contingent upon grant approval for the update to be done on the Natural Resource Inventory. All committee members agree on the approval for the update as it is a valuable source of information for planning and educational tool.
- Gene O. motions to recommend to council that we update The Natural Resource Inventory at a cost of \$5,000 from Open Space Recreation & Historical Preservation Trust Fund. Tom Kline, seconds the motion. All approve. None opposed.
- Carol S. put together packets of information on the property prioritization sheets that need to be reviewed by committee members for future projects. Will discuss at upcoming meetings.

Historic Preservation Plan

- Tom Kline – Historic Preservation plan is in draft form. The cost of the draft was \$30,000. 20% of the funds for draft came out of Open Space Trust. We submit a check to the county and 80% comes back to the Open Space Trust.
- 2nd phase the grant is \$25,000 of which Open Space will pay \$5,000 and the county will pay the remaining \$20,000.
- Trails maps...can we get maps printed? Need to get group together to map out the trails. There are grants for developing trails. TLC also suggested the trail information on the stainless

steel material found at the heads of the trails. Linda G. will look into the cost and have information at the next meeting.

- Amanda H. spoke to guidance again at the HS and if anyone is interested in helping out with the mapping of the trails she left the Open Space email address.

Next meeting: Wednesday, April 11, 2012 at 7:30 PM

Motion to Adjourn: at 9:20 pm, a motion from Tom Kline to adjourn the meeting was seconded by Carol V. All in favor. None opposed.

At the May 9, 2012 OSPAC committee meeting, the minutes for March 14, 2012, 2009 were approved on a motion made by Tom Kline and seconded by Gene Orcutt, all present were in favor, none opposed.