

**BOROUGH OF KINNELON  
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
March14, 2013**

Meeting Called to Order 7:30pm

Tom Kline, read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement

This meeting is held pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act. Adequate notice of this meeting was advertised in the January 2, 2013 edition of the Trends and was provided to the Star Ledger, Daily Record and North Jersey Herald News on January 2, 2013. 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.

Present: Council Liaison: Carol Sventy, Tom Kline, Gene Orcutt, Steven Pileggi, Glenn Sisco,

Vanessa Smalley, Land Conservancy Liaison: Linda Glosinski

- Doug Lawrence is an official new member of The Open Space Advisory. He was sworn in at the last meeting.

Hearing from the Public

- None

Review / approve meeting minutes. Tom Kline requested to table the minutes for January 9, 2013 at this time.

- On a motion from Glenn Sisco, seconded by Tom Kline, the motion was approved as submitted, all in favor, none opposed.

New Committee Member: Doug Lawrence was sworn in at the last meeting. Tom Kline will reach out to him to advise him of his official member status.

Council Report – Carol Sventy

- Nothing to report at this time, as Carol stepped away for 15 minutes to attend the Board of Health meeting
- Land Conservancy of NJ Report – Linda Glosinski
- Linda Glosinski advised that the Borough is not going forward with the Morris County Grant and no updates on the Totowa Construction or on the other property. She reviewed the discussion of the possibility of setting up times for walking the trails, a good night or Saturdays. Tom Kline, advised after trying to walk the trail at the Weber Tract Property, that the best way to get a comprehensive borough wide idea for trails, having a plan of possibility of scout projects or trail grids. Start building out our system. Morris County has been putting some trails in around Bear Mountain. Linda advised that one of the other places to reach out to could be MorrisTrails partnership. Glenn suggested holding off on making any decisions on where to reach out to first,

until Doug Lawrence is in attendance, since he is a part of the NY/NJ Trails Conference. Possible east side of Kinnelon the Park Commission was talking about a whole Greenway off of Waughaw. Hopefully, by reaching out to the various partners, by the end of next year, they can put together a whole trail grid that makes sense and becomes part of our larger plan. Linda pointed out that although the trail grants are not a lot of money, it is volunteers, but also it helps to make the connections with the scouts and trail conferences to help on an ongoing basis. Tom also reminded everyone of a discussion of kiosks. Tom has some on his payroll (his daughter) to develop kiosk sign to develop for trail kiosks. Natural materials should be used. He hopes to have some designs from her next month. Linda mentioned the 2 different kinds, shadow box and stainless steel and mounted on top. Maintenance on same would have to be considered. She describes how some would want the traditional updates in a kiosk and some were higher in height or waist height. Price amounts were looked at. Linda along with longevity and vandalism. Gene advised of the older ones he had seen. Tom suggested having trail maps that are just for Kinnelon, stopping at 287 and Rockaway Valley Road and Route 23.

- Glenn Sisco had to leave the meeting to attend the Board of Health meeting.
- Tom Kline inquired as to Linda's availability to come to more meetings. She advised that she typically would come to every other, unless there were grant applications or other business she needed to be there for.

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

- Last month the Mayor and Council passed a number of resolutions regarding the L'Ecole project. Roughly \$276,000.00 first phase, the porch issues and also some roofing and siding. We are proceeding to file the Grant applications. There was a question whether we will be successful with that they were trying to get the museum placed on the national registry of historic places which is a requirement of the trust fund...of the state. We have the application and have submitted it to the State. It was kicked back and we submitted it again with revisions. If the State does not get back to us in a timely manner to say that the application is complete, by the time we need to make a presentation for Grant application in May, we may get kicked out. HPL is a division of the DEP. The other resolution that was passed was Open Space was to encumbrance \$54,000.00 with a 20% match for the Open Space Trust. Balance remaining in Trust is \$1,284, 080.00. Prior to encumbrances. Linda was asked about P.I.G.money, she advise that it is not included in the balance. She advised they disburse when a project is through and approved. \$500,000.00 approximately. She also advised that agreements are good for 3 years and they expire if you have no projects up and coming. The money is not there indefinitely. New allotments are provided, but you still need to have contracts in the works. If the money is not used, it can be reprogrammed by the State. The committee needs to be active in finding and

contracting projects. Linda will find out when our due date is coming up for expiration and advised Tom of same. An inquiry was made about the renewal of Linda's agreement with the Mayor and Tom advised that we are going to renew it again, with Land Conservancy of NJ. Tom discussed some prior contracts and successes with same.

- Old Business
  - Recording secretary – none at present. Resolution passed stating that pay is \$20/hour, but is not to exceed \$200/month.

New Business – None at present

Next Meeting: Wednesday, **April 9, 2013 - 7:30pm**, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Borough Hall

Adjournment - On a motion from Tom Kline, seconded by Gene Orcutt, the OSCA meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

*At the February 12, 2014 meeting, on a motion from Glenn Sisco and seconded by Doug Lawrence, the OSCA meeting minutes for March 13, 2013 were approved – all in favor, none opposed.*