## BOROUGH OF KINNELON OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES April 9, 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, Vanessa Smalley, Doug Lawrence

Tom discussed the open positions that are available for the Open Space Advisory Committee. He gave a brief explanation as to what the Open Space Committee does in the borough. Including active recreation and passive recreation. The open space trust fund was created in 2002 by a referendum and generates approximately, 86,000.00 a year. It can be used for the acquisition of land for active or passive recreation. County open space and Green Acres funding can also be applied to for funding a property purchase. PIG = Planning Incentive Grant is another grant that can be applied for, for the same use. They discussed how much the Weber Tract was acquired for and how much was used from the Open Space Trust Fund. Tom also reviewed the Trails Project and the application of Trail Grants and placing of trails and build sections of trails and kiosks, which would provide maps and guidance of the trails. Open space does not have to be done through acquisition, it can be done with an easement. Gene explained that they were looking into a Greenway along the Pequannock River. Carol explained also that the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Trust Fund, can not only be used for recreation. but also can be used for the preservation of the museum. Michael gave a little information about himself and his interest in the Open Space Advisory Committee. He is a Boy Scout and looks forward to doing projects. Keith also provided some information about himself and how he's always enjoyed hiking and going through the trails near his house and would have an interest in making and marking the trails. Tom also mentioned about making sure the public has the resources to know about the trails and using them.

Hearing from the Public

None

Review / approve meeting minutes. Tom Kline requested to table the minutes at this time, for January 9, 2013 and March 13, 2013.

## Council Report – Carol Sventy

- Nothing to report at this time. Recommendations were made to the Council, but they are holding off on discussions, due to the Council being in the midst of budget discussions.
- Tom explained about the Land Conservancy of NJ and who Linda Gloshinski
  was a representative of same. He also explained how difficult it is for the town
  to purchase a parcel of land.
- Carol excused herself for the Board of Health meeting.
- Land Conservancy of NJ Report Linda Gloshinski

Nothing new to report and suggested to start setting up meetings to start for the trails.

## L'Ecole Restoration Status – Tom Kline

 Tom explained about the 3 Phase Project of the Preservation Plan for the L'Ecole Museum and the maintenance for the museum. He explained about the 80% grant application from the County and the 20% from the Open Space Trust Fund

## Old Business

- Trail committee status and availability for evening walks. Tom would like to be able to see a plan of what places to start. Carol advised that she has the maps on boards in the library. Some discussion was made with Gene with his availability, Doug advised he was available in the evenings. Vanessa would be ready after the third week in May.
- Tom talked about applying for a grant for a trail around New Pond. There is a New Jersey Environmental Protection Easement around the pond. If the town acquires the property, the committee would have to address the DEP and map out what they would need for the trail on the property. Carol returned and Tom explained the maps and the designation of certain parcels of land and the status's same.
- Tom advised 6:00pm, third week in May. He will email everyone to confirm meeting times and dates.

 Vanessa advises that she will be a part of the Open Space until July, 2013.

New Business – None at present

Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 14, 2013 - 7:30pm, 2nd Floor Borough Hall

Adjournment - On a motion from Gene Orcutt, seconded by Doug Lawrence, the OSCA meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

At the February 12, 2014 meeting, on a motion made by Glenn Sisco and seconded by Doug Lawrence, the OSCA meeting minutes for April 9, 2013 were approved – all in favor, none opposed.