

**BOROUGH OF KINNELON
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
November 13, 2013**

Meeting Called to Order 7:30pm

Gene Orcutt, Vice Chair, 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, Michael Prapopulos, Doug Lawrence and Keith Weidemann

Hearing from the Public: none

Review / approve meeting minutes: Tom K. requested that the minutes be tabled for January 9, 2013, March 13, 2013, April 9, 2013, May 8, 2013, June 12, 2013, September 11, 2013 and October 9, 2013.

- *On a motion from Gene Orcutt, seconded by Steven Pileggi, the motion was approved as submitted, all in favor, none opposed.*

Council Report – Carol Sventy

- Carol advised that at the October Council work shop meeting, Tom Kline had attended, they presented to the Council the Planning Incentive Grant and after much discussion, motion made by Carol Sventy and seconded by Councilman James Freda to purchase the smaller parcel in order to preserve the larger portion of the Incentive grant money of \$ 727,188.82. Tom asked if there were any restrictions on the Resolution. Carol advised that she believes that it cannot be used for anything but passive recreation. There is water hook up at the smaller parcel and Doug Lawrence inquired as to the community garden. Carol advised that a number of members of the Council are not in favor of the community garden and that would have to be put on hold until the larger parcel was purchased.
- **Land Conservancy Report – Linda Glosinski**

Tom Kline referred to the Land Conservancy of NJ Report from Linda Glosinski which reports on the planning incentive grant, at this point \$727,188.82 has been saved from the chopping block. Tom will discuss possible projects in closed session.
- The Weber Trail Project, NJDEP has not made an announcement for the 2013 grant award, which is a trail grant the maximum is \$25,000.00 and requires a 25% grant match from the town and can use labor as part of the match. If the DPW built a trail, we can use their labor hours toward this as well. Previous Grants were due in January, Tom and Michael took a trip around Maple Lake to see if they could make a trail and not run into a water feature. The DEP makes it cumbersome to use grant funding to create a bridge/trail crossing a dam. Each time Tom has tried to find a way around the dam and runs into the stream.
- **L'Ecole Restoration Status** – The commission applied to Preservation Trust to do restoration work on the museum. The county has awarded a grant of \$250,000.00, which would be 80% grant from county; the borough needs \$50,000.00 or 20%, from

Open Space Funds. Tom gave a brief explanation of how, when dealing with large amounts of money for work, “sealed bids” are advertised for same, and the procedures for opening bids, reviewing bids and then deciding for the company to do the work for the lowest bid amount. We need to maximize grant funds for L’Ecole, the museum needed to be on the National Registry of Historical Places. Tom will be presenting to the State in Trenton to see if he can get L’Ecole on the National Registry. Criteria for the National Registry are Work of a Master, Maintain original integrity, Important Person and Historic Site.

Old Business

Tom welcomed Mayor Collins to the meeting, who advised he was being an observer.

- Trail Committee Status – Tom K / Gene O / Steve P / and Linda Glosinski’s report
- New members for the OSAC committee - and the possibility of having someone from the Recreation Department Committee joining the OSAC. OSAC needs to have all walks of Kinnelon to make up the committee. Youth, Planning Board, Historical, and we are lacking Recreation. Bringing the perspective in from someone in Recreation Committee useful all the way around.
- *On a motion from Gene Orcutt, seconded by Michael Prapopulos, the motion was approved to go into closed session, none opposed.*

New Business – Closed Session – Town Wide Trail Plan

- *On a motion from Gene Orcutt, seconded by Doug Lawrence, the motion was approved to return to open session.*

Next Meeting: Wednesday, **December 11, 2013 - 7:30pm**, 2nd Floor Borough Hall

Adjournment - On a motion from Gene Orcutt, seconded by Doug Lawrence, the OSAC meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm.

On February 12, 2014 meeting of the OSAC, on a motion made by Doug Lawrence and seconded by Steven Pileggi, the minutes for the November 13, 2013 were approved – all in favor, none opposed.