

**BOROUGH OF KINNELON
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
& ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2015**

Meeting Called to Order – called to order at 7:30pm

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 4, 2015 edition of the Trends and was provided to the Star Ledger, Daily Record and North Jersey Herald News on January 4, 2015. 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.

Environmental Commission: Present: Cheryl Canale, Scot Simptner, Tom Kline, Lisa Hanks, and Council Liaison Carol Sventy. Absent: James Lorkowski.

Open Space Advisory Committee: Council Liaison: Present: Council Liaison Carol Sventy, Tom Kline, Glenn Sisco, Pranav Reddy, Tamara Roselius, and Robert Lewis. Land Conservancy Liaison Linda Glosinski. Absent: Gene Orcutt

Hearing from the Public – None Present for either OSAC or EC

The Environmental Commission held their general meeting first to approve their minutes and bring the OSAC committee up to date regarding their committee meetings & environmental issues within the Borough.

Review / approve meeting minutes for September 2015 – on a motion from Tammy Roselius, seconded by Glenn Sisco and the unanimous voice vote of all OSAC members present, the September 2015 minutes were approved.

Council Report – Liaison Carol Sventy reported the following: The OS Plan, & suggested the committee review the actions/recommendations section and how the committee could work with the EC to accomplish some of these goals. Weber Dam, she will reach out to borough attorney and ask if there has been any progress, but suspects there has been none. Totowa Builders Acquisition: Final walk through the property has been completed, voucher submitted to Green Acres and \$87,000 was received by the Borough and deposited into the OS Fund, we expect to close on this property in December 2015. Once closed, we can then submit voucher to NJDEP Green Acres for up to 50% of the acquisitions soft costs. Recreation fields, we are still waiting to hear from Maser Engineers as to what NJDEP will require in regards to perk testing the KHS football field. It still has not been determined how many perk pits will have to be dug. If the perk pits fail, then storm septors will need to be installed, which will add a significant amount of dollars to the overall scope of the project. Tom Kline gave a brief history of the Weber Dam, New Pond Dam and Trails Project to the EC so they would have the knowledge of these items going forward.

Land Conservancy of NJ Report – Liaison Linda Glosinski reported the following: confirmed the information given as regards Totowa Builders Acquisition. Trail Grant: we're still waiting to hear if Kinnelon will be awarded this \$\$\$. Committee that reviews the grant applications is now down to 1 individual. We hope to hear by the end of the year.

L'Ecole Restoration Status – Liaison Tom Kline reported that phase II, part 1 is currently waiting for the bid forms to be approved by the state, once approved, then bids can go out, he expects this to begin in the early part of the year. The ordinance to appropriate funds for their new furnace was adopted and the furnace, water heater, and new chimney liner will soon be installed. He also gave a brief History of L'Ecole and the process of creating the Preservation Plan and work it took to get L'Ecole registered on the State Historic Register.

Tom Kline suggested that both the OSAC & EC committees continue to have joint meetings every so often so that they could coordinate their efforts on various issues. He also suggested that at their next combined

meeting (perhaps Jan or Feb 2016) that representatives from the NJ/NY Trail Conference and the Morris County Park Commission be invited to attend to discuss in the Trail Mapping project in greater detail.

Old Business

Town Wide Trail Plan – still waiting for the award of this grant from NJDEP

Weber Dam Report – see council liaison report

Totowa Builders Acquisition – see council liaison report

Recreation Fields Report – see council liaison report

Trail Grant Update – see Land Conservancy liaison report

Closed Session – there was nothing for closed discussion

New Business

2016 Meeting Schedule – dates were approved by the committee and handed to the Borough Clerk

Next Meeting: Wednesday **December 9, 2015 - 7:30 pm**, 2nd Floor Borough Hall

Adjournment: on a motion from Glenn Sisco, seconded by Robert Lewis and the unanimous voice vote of all OSAC members present, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45pm.

At the January 13, 2016, OSAC meeting, on a motion made by Glenn Sisco and seconded by Carol Sventy, and the affirmative voice vote of all members present, the November 18, 2015 meeting minutes were approved. All in favor- none opposed.