

White Township Open Space Committee Minutes of the May 22, 2012 Meeting

Call to Order by Chairman Jason Menegus at 6:38pm on Tuesday, May 22, 2012.

- A) Followed by the Opening Statement, Pursuant to the NJ Open Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., the Board Secretary caused notice of the meeting to be given to the public and press on February 16, 2012.
- B) Roll call was taken by Secretary, Tara Andrews. Present were Chairman Jason Menegus, as well as the following members of the Committee: Ellen Johnson, Valerie Tishuk, and Nancy Bilyk. Nevitt Duveneck, Bob Mackey and Dave Newhouse were absent. There was one member of the public present.
- C) There was a motion made by Valerie Tishuk, seconded by Nancy, to discuss and approve the minutes from the April meeting. After discussion and revisions to be made, the motion was carried.
- D) There was no correspondence to discuss.
- E) Old Business -
 - 1) Erhardt application - was sent to the state for approval. Nevitt to get approval to obtain our own appraisals.
 - 2) Quick application - there are issues with right of way from the Land Conservancy of NJ. We will see what the County and State say.
 - 3) Walburn and Bullock applications - Aaron Cela of the Land Conservancy says they are moving forward.
- F) New Business
 - 1) Spencer Farm - they have 24 acres and will apply.
 - 2) Shoemaker - they have 25 acres and will apply - We will get these applications in 1-2 months.
 - 3) Old Meeting Minutes - Ann has older meeting minutes and Kathleen has them from one year back.
 - 4) Appraisals - Jason has 2 suggestions for appraisers and will give them to Kathleen. He stated that if anyone else has any other suggestions, to please get them to Kathleen.
 - 5) Summer Meeting Schedule - In the past, the committee did not meet during the summer months of June, July, and August. Jason stated he does not want to skip this year due to the open applications. After discussion it was decided to keep the scheduled meetings as planned and cancel if necessary. Jason will check with Kathleen to see if we legally need to advise the public of such cancellations.
 - 6) Follow Up from County - Jason said that in reference to the Johnson and Ott farms, he is unsure if they qualify.
 - 7) Jason gave the committee members in attendance a handout explaining qualifications for land preservation and cost share information.
- G) There was a motion to adjourn made by Ellen Johnson and seconded by Nancy Bilyk. The motion was carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:00

Respectfully submitted,
Tara Andrews
Secretary