

Open Space Committee Meeting – September 24, 2013 Minutes

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jason Menegus at 6:30 pm.

Flag Salute was done by all present.

- 1) Attendance Taken: Present were Jason Menegus, Nevitt Duveneck, Bob Mackey, Dave Newhouse, Ellen Johnson, Valerie Tishuk arrived at 6:32 pm and Nancy Bilyk 6:34 pm.
- 2) A motion was made to adopt the agenda by Bob Mackey with a second by Dave Newhouse. Motion carried.
- 3) A motion was made to approve the minutes with changes for the May 2013 meeting by Bob Mackey with a second by Dave Newhouse. Nevitt Duveneck and Valerie Tishuk abstained from the vote. Motion carried.
- 4) Correspondence received from Warren County Department of Land Preservation indicating that the Erhardt property, Bl 10, L 33 was added to the Final Approval List and the Martin property, Bl 14, L 37 & 38 was moved from Final Approval List to Preserved Farmland. The letter also stated that the municipality has until November 15, 2013 to submit written comments.
- 5) New Business – Other potential preservation projects. Nancy Bilyk has applications to give to Ms. Rothman and Mr. Sonn. Bob Mackey requested that information be sent to Ms. Kline..

Nevitt Duveneck received an email with new guidelines for PIG grants.

In regards to Green Acres, the Open Space Committee is uninterested.

- 6) Old Business – In reference to the Erhardt application, the survey is done and closing should be by the end of the year. In reference to the Walburn application, the Township Committee is to act on the contract at their next meeting. In reference to the Spencer application, Land Conservancy is still working on it.

The county has approved and has appraisals for the solar property, Bl 62, L 24, formerly known as the Huff Farm.

Bullock – The owner of the vehicles on the property will be removing them and their application is going through the county process.

New Jersey Conservation Foundation/Castner Road Property – still being looked at.

Landowner Letter Follow Ups – Mr. Wade came forward, Cramer is not sure, may be interested in selling. Hoffman is also unsure. Bartha has an application filed with the county. Keating is interested but didn't know he qualified. Quick also submitted application with county.

- 7) A motion was made to adjourn at 7:13 pm by Nancy Bilyk, with a second by Valerie Tishuk. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Tara Andrews
Secretary