

**FRELINGHUYSEN TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
JOINT MEETING**

Minutes of Meeting of Tuesday January 12, 2016

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Brady, Secretary at 7:35 pm.

Announcement of Proper Notice

Notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice at the Township Municipal Building in Johnsonburg, and advertising in the New Jersey Herald and Express Times, in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. As advertised, action may be taken at this meeting.

Attendance:

Members Present:

David Boynton, II OS&FLP

Wendy Buttgereit OS

Marty Connor OS&FLP

Alan DeCarolis OS &FLP

Amy Winfield OS

Frank Desiderio OS

Bob Young FLP

Charlie Schaffer FLP

Rich Dericks FLP

Members Absent:

Rick Rogers FLP and Dan Carson OS

Consultant: Ms. Sandy Urgo, The Land Conservancy

Reorganization

- Mr. Decarolis made a motion to appoint Wendy Buttgereit as the Chair for the Open Space Committee, seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor - aye.
- Mr. Desiderio made a motion to appoint Marty Connor as the Vice Chair for the Open Space Committee, seconded by Mr. Decarolis, all in favor - aye.
- Mr. DeCarolis made a motion to appoint David Boynton, II as the Chair for the Farmland Preservation Committee, seconded by Mr. Schaffer, all in favor – aye.
- Mr. Schaffer made a motion to appoint Rich Dericks as the Vice Chair for the Farmland Preservation Committee, seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor – aye.

Meeting Dates

Mr. Desiderio made a motion to approve the 2016 meeting dates, seconded by Mr. Boynton, all in favor – aye.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. DeCarolis made a motion to approve the November 4 2015 Joint Farmland Preservation and Open Space meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor - aye. Mr. Desiderio and Mr. Carson abstained.

Old Business

FFP Update: Mr. Connor provided a detailed yearly update. As part of his update, he announced that in January 2015, ordinance 2015-01 was enacted, and thus resulted in the creation of the new positions of Manager and Assistant Manager of public land. Mr. Connor said that he was appointed Manager and Ms. Buttgereit Assistant Manager for a term of one year. In addition, he provided a detailed description of the work duties associated with the positions.

Open Space Stewardship Initiatives: Ms. Buttgereit stated that she did not have any new information to report. She announced that the 2016 National Trails Day is June 4th, which is also Founder's Day. She said that we work with the date, as we did last year and possibly plan something in the morning prior to the start of Founder's Day activities.

Cross Country Skiing and Snowshoeing event with the Mayor: Ms. Buttgereit explained that she is working with Mayor Kuhn to set a date. She also said that due to the lack of sufficient snowfall this year the event may not occur.

New Business

Set Open Space Hike: After discussion, Ms. Buttgereit announced that the hike is scheduled for April 16th at noon at FFP North and that in case of inclement weather, April 23rd.

Public Comment

No public present.

Executive Session

No action taken.

Mr. DeCarolis made a motion to enter into executive session, seconded by Mr. Desiderio, all in favor - aye. Executive session entered at 8:07 pm.

Mr. Schaffer made a motion to exit executive session seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor - aye. Executive session exited at 9:05 pm.

The Land Conservancy Report

Ms. Urgo provided an update. Mr. Schaffer made a motion to, move forward with an offer to Post Farm by presenting this request to do so to the Township Council seconded by Mr. Connor, all in favor - aye.

Correspondence

None.

*Ms. Winfield exited the meeting at 9:03.

Adjournment

As there was no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. DeCarolis to adjourn the meeting. All members present were in favor of adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pamela Brady,
Farmland Preservation and Open Space Secretary