

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 5, 2014, 7:30 p.m.**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC NOTICE: Adequate notice of this public meeting has been made in accordance with the 1975 Open Public Meetings Act inasmuch as a notice has been published in the New Jersey Herald, transmitted to the Star Ledger and posted at the Municipal Building, 150 Kennedy Road, Tranquility, NJ.

ROLL CALL: Louis Caruso, Daniel Conkling, Roy Aull, Paul Nusbaum, Gladys Golder, and Jennifer Russ

Members Present: Louis Caruso, Daniel Conkling, Gladys Golder, and Jennifer Russ

Also present was Patty DeClesis, Secretary; and Scott Sherwood, The Nature Conservancy

Members Absent: Roy Aull and Paul Nusbaum

Motion to excuse Roy Aull and Paul Nusbaum was made by Daniel Conkling, seconded by Louis Caruso. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion carried.

OATH OF OFFICE: The Oath of Office was administered to new member Jennifer Russ.

MINUTES:

1. Approval of minutes of May 7, 2014
Motion to approve minutes of May 7, 2014, was made by Daniel Conkling, seconded by Louis Caruso. No discussion. Gladys Golder and Jennifer Russ abstained. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Employee Handbook Policies and Procedures/Revisions: Patty DeClesis distributed the new Employee Handbook and revisions to the members present.
2. Property off of Yellow Frame Road – Block 8, Lot 4.01 – Louis Caruso stated there is property located off Yellow Frame Road, Block 8, Lot 4.01 that adjoins property owned by the Nature Conservancy. This property could be purchased for open space. Mr. Scott Sherwood, a representative from the Nature Conservancy was in attendance. Daniel Conkling asked Mr. Sherwood if the Nature Conservancy would allow an access road to the site of a cell tower. Mr. Sherwood will look into. Gladys Golder motioned to make a recommendation to the Township Committee for possible purchase, seconded by Jennifer Russ. All Ayes. Motion carried.
3. Louis Caruso stated there is a 20 acre piece of property on Mackerley Road, Block 21, Lot 10. This property is listed with a real estate agent. Louis Caruso and Penny Holenstein, Tax Assessor, have toured the property and feel it would be a good acquisition for open space. Louis Caruso has spoken with Linda Glosinski of the Land Conservancy. There are enough funds in the open space budget. After discussion, the Committee agreed to forward the recommendation to the Township Committee.

COMMENTS FROM THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE: None

Public Comments and/or Questions: None

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn was made by Daniel Conkling at 8:15 p.m., seconded by Gladys Golder. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 3, 2014, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty DeClesis, Secretary

Date Approved