OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Caruso called the January 8, 2025, Open Space Advisory Committee Reorganizational Meeting to order at 7:21 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, Richard Conklin, Gladys Golder, John Lynch, William "Bob" Olivier, Margaret "Peg" Phillips and Stephen Slota

Members Present: Louis Caruso, John Lynch, Margaret "Peg" Phillips, and Stephen Slota

Also Present: Patty DeClesis, Open Space Secretary

Members Absent: Richard Conklin, Gladys Golder, and William "Bob" Olivier John Lynch motioned to excuse the absent members. Seconded by Steve Slota. No discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

REORGANIZATION:

- Reappointments per Township of Green Resolution 2025-19 (attached).
 Administer Oath of Office: Louis Caruso and Margaret "Peg" Phillips completed the Oath of Office.
- 2. Appoint Chairman: Peg Phillips motioned to nominate Mr. Caruso as Chairman, seconded by John Lynch. No other nominations were made. All were in favor. Motion carried. Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Caruso.
- 3. Appoint Vice Chairperson: Peg Phillips motioned to nominate Steve Slota as Vice Chairperson, seconded by John Lynch. No other nominations were made. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- 4. Approval of the following meeting dates for 2025. Peg Phillips motioned to approve the meeting dates for 2025, seconded by Steve Slota. No discussion. All were in favor.

February 5

June 4

March 5

October 1

April 2

November 5

May 7

December 3

January 7, 2026

All meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. No meetings are scheduled for July, August or September.

OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING REGULAR MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 8, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES:

1. Approval of meeting minutes regular session of November 6, 2024 Motion to approve minutes of November 6, 2024, was made by Peg Phillips, seconded by Steve Slota. No discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. County Connector Trail Update - Lou Caruso provided an update regarding the County Connector Trail. Lou spoke with the property owner's son, however there has been no response to date.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

COMMENTS FROM THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE: Peg Phillips provided an update on the proposed fourth-round affordable housing obligations for Green Township. A discussion ensued regarding the availability of land and how the numbers were determined. The Committee would like to review a map of open space properties.

PUBLIC COMMENTS and/or QUESTIONS: No public members were present.

ADJOURNMENT: John Lynch motioned to adjourn at 7:48 p.m., seconded by Peg Phillips. No discussion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 5, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patty DeClesis, Secretary

Open Space Advisory Committee

Date Approved: February 5, 2025