

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 11, 2016, 7:00 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.

**OATH OF OFFICE:** The Oath of Office was administered to Richard Conklin

**ROLL CALL:** Louis Caruso, Richard Conklin, Daniel Conkling, Patty DeClesis, Gladys Golder, Paul Nusbaum and Jennifer Russ

Members present: Louis Caruso, Richard Conklin, Daniel Conkling, Patty DeClesis, Gladys Golder, and Paul Nusbaum

Members Absent: Jennifer Russ

Daniel Conkling motioned to excuse the absent member, seconded by Gladys Golder. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**MINUTES:**

1. Approval of minutes of March 2, 2016  
Motion to approve minutes of January 13, 2016, was made by Daniel Conkling, seconded by Gladys Golder. No discussion. All Ayes, with Abstentions from Richard Conklin and Paul Nusbaum. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Chairman Caruso updated the Committee on the potential farmland preservation property that was discussed at the last meeting. At this time, the Land Conservancy is still awaiting a response from the property owner.
2. Rails to Trails – Chairman Caruso informed the Committee that Allamuchy Township has started working on the trail. The Committee discussed starting the trail in Green Township connecting with Allamuchy through Green Township to Andover Borough. After discussions, the Committee agreed to proceed with the trail. There are two areas that remain an issue, the office building on Kennedy Road across from the Tranquility Post Office and the tunnel on Whitehall Road. The Committee agreed to attend the next Township Committee meeting on May 23, 2016, to make their recommendation to proceed with the trail. They would also like to have the Land Conservancy available to assist with this project.

Mrs. DeClesis stated that Linda Glosinski of the Land Conservancy was asked to attend the June Open Space Meeting, however she is unavailable to attend on June 1, 2016. Mrs. DeClesis provided alternate dates and the Committee agreed to change their June 1, 2016, meeting to Tuesday, June 7, 2016, in order to accommodate Linda Glosinski.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Minutes of the Sussex County Agriculture Development Board – Mrs. DeClesis distributed minutes of January 19, 2016.

**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, seconded by Gladys Golder. No discussion. All Ayes. Motion carried.

**The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 7, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

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Patty DeClesis, Secretary

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6/7/2016  
Date Approved