

**OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2018, 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: As per Resolution 2018-147 the Green Township Committee appointed Mr. Stephen Slota to the Open Space Advisory Committee as an Alternate #2, effective October 15, 2018. The Oath of Office was administered to Mr. Slota

ROLL CALL: Louis Caruso, Richard Conklin, Daniel Conkling, Gladys Golder, John Lynch, and Stephen Slota

Members Present: Louis Caruso, Richard Conklin, Daniel Conkling, Gladys Golder, John Lynch, and Stephen Slota

Members Absent: Paul Nusbaum

Mr. Conkling motioned to excuse the absent member. Seconded by Mr. Lynch. No discussion. All Ayes. Motioned carried.

MINUTES:

1. Approval of special meeting minutes of August 29, 2018
Motion to approve minutes of August 29, 2018, was made by Ms. Golder, seconded by Mr. Conklin. No discussion. All Ayes with abstentions from Mr. Lynch and Mr. Slota. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mr. Caruso stated that he met with Mr. Ken Adler concerning the driveway issue across Kennedy Road from the trail. A meeting will be arranged with the Township Engineer. Mr. Adler is willing to accommodate but has some concerns.

Mr. Caruso also stated the Mr. Charlie Fineran from Allamuchy Open Space informed him that a group from the Stuyvesant/Rutherford Hall has been cleaning the burial plots at the Tranquility Cemetery to make them more readable. This is a great addition for the County Connector Trail.

NEW BUSINESS: Minutes from the Sussex County Open Space Committee Meeting of May 24, 2018, were distributed. Mr. Caruso noted Page 3 of the minutes regarding a draft resolution to recommend the Open Space Trails and Stewardship Grant Pilot Program to the Freeholders.

COMMENTS FROM THE OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE: Mr. Conkling explained that in the past EverGreen Park was closed due to snow covered walking trail. The Township Committee has decided to keep the park open so that residents can use the new County Connector trail during the winter months. The pavilion bathrooms will be winterized and closed. This will allow the trail to be accessible for winter activities.

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Mr. Caruso mentioned that the Historical Society and the Environmental Committee have some ideas for the trail. Mr. Caruso suggested they present their ideas to the Open Space Advisory Committee.

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

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS: None


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

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patty DeClesis, Secretary



Date Approved