

Upper Pottsgrove Township
Open Space Committee
January 13, 2009 Meeting Minutes

In attendance were Chairman Herbert Miller, Dennis Elliott, Nancy Toothaker, Marie Novack and Peter Dolan. Also in attendance was Jack Layne, Township Manager.

I. Call to Order: Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

II. Executive Session: Ms. Toothaker moved that the Committee go into Executive Session at 7:05 P.M. to discuss matters involving the possible acquisition of real estate. Ms. Novack seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Ms. Novack moved that the Committee come out of Executive Session and go back into general session at 7:25 P.M. The motion was approved.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Ms. Novack moved that the July 8, 2008 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Mr. Elliott seconded this motion. The motion was approved.

It was noted that the Township had received a Green Futures Achievement Award for its open space accomplishments. Mr. Layne thanked Chairman Miller for his hard work in this endeavor and Mr. Elliott for recommending that the Township compete for this award.

Following a brief discussion by the Committee, there was a consensus that the Township Solicitor be contacted to request his opinion regarding the possible use of open space funding for the maintenance of open space property once the Township has acquired the maximum amount of available open space.

IV. Reports:

No reports were provided.

V. Old Business

A. Ad hoc Historical Board update

1). Update on Historical Marker/Plagues

Chairman Miller stated that he and Reginald Leister had installed a number of historical marker/plagues since the last Committee meeting and that Ms. Toothaker's support in this endeavor was greatly appreciated.

B. Sign revision allowing or dogs/pets to be walked in the park

It was noted that the park signs at Hollenbach and Mocharniuk Parks would be revised to allow for dogs/pets to be walked in these parks.

VI. New Business

A. Open Space property acquisition update

Mr. Layne distributed an Open Space Property Acquisition report that showed that the Township had protected approximately 205 acres of land to date and has targeted an additional approximately 135 acres.

VII. Adjourn

Ms. Toothaker moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:54 P.M. Ms. Novack seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Next Meeting 7:00 P.M., Tuesday, February 10, 2009

Submitted by Jack Layne, Township Manager