

OPEN SPACE & RECREATION BOARD
July 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Board members present were Chairwoman Sue Thompson, Jill Ludy, Greg Churach and Dennis Elliott. Ralph Freed was absent. Also present were Herbert C. Miller, Jr., Commissioner and Jack Layne, Township Manager.

1. Call to Order

Chairwoman Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Ms. Ludy moved that the May 8, 2013 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Mr. Churach seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

3. Reports

- Chairwoman Thompson noted that parking had been placed at the site of the former Prout area.
- Mr. Churach stated that the Open Space and Recreation Board was supportive of the Township considering the acquisition of 144 E. Moyer Road as open space property. Ms. Ludy stated that this property was approximately 11 acres, it was fairly flat and could be utilized for soccer, baseball and other outdoor activities. The Board requested that members of the Township Board of Commissioners visit the 144 E. Moyer Road property.

4. Old Business

A. Discussion and possible update regarding the request to utilize Hoffman Field for soccer and baseball

Mr. Miller noted that the Township had taken aggressive actions to support the proposed efforts by the Pottsgrove Little League Baseball League and the Pottsgrove Soccer Association to expand their facilities and activities in the Township but that basically nothing has occurred to this date.

B. Discussion and update on the recently completed expansion of the Srogels Run Pedestrian Trail

Mr. Miller reported that fencing had been installed at the end of the Fox Run Trail. He added that a buried septic tank had been inadvertently discovered during this installation process.

5. New Business

- Chairwoman Thompson requested that respective Board members look at each Township park to see what needs to be checked into.
- Chairwoman Thompson noted that the Township had acquired a new lawn mower that would decrease the amount of time it takes to mow park property.

- Chairwoman Thompson stated that the blinking signs at Hollenbach Field need to be weeded.
- Ms. Ludy stated that Turnberry Farms needed to be mowed. She added that the area around the split-rail fence needed to be weeded and that the trash needed to be removed from the split-rail fence area.
- There was a brief discussion as to whether someone had been spraying under the fence area at Turnberry Farms.
- Mr. Miller noted that the vines needed to be trimmed back at Sunset Park.
- Chairwoman Thompson stated that mulch needed to be raked and leveled out near the swings at Heather Place Park.
- Mr. Miller noted that the delivery of the arrow signs had been delayed due to machinery problems with Scepter Signs. He added that the Maugers Mill signs were close to being completed.

6. Executive Session

There was no Executive Session.

7. Public Comment

There was no Public Comment.

8. Adjournment

Ms. Ludy moved that the meeting be adjourned at 7:47 P.M. Mr. Churach seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Next meeting scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 11, 2013