

**Minutes of the Open Space Park and Recreation Board
Upper Pottsgrove Township**

November 9, 2016

A meeting of the Open Space Park and Recreation Board was held on Wednesday, November 9, 2016, at the Upper Pottsgrove Township Administrative Offices; 1409 Farmington Avenue. Those present were Dennis Elliot, Chuck Note, Chris Delp, Michelle Reddick and Nancy Toothaker. Also present was Carol R. Lewis, Township Manager.

MOMENT OF SILENCE- A moment of silence was held for our Police Officers.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Motion by N. Toothaker, seconded by C. Delp and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of **October 11, 2016**, as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

SPOTTED LANTERN FLY - Nancy Toothaker attended the workshop presented by Penn State and Kutztown University. Kutztown University has been doing a lot of banding of the tree of heaven. The females need the sap of this tree to lay their eggs. The State is trying to take out 90% of the trees and poisoning the other 10%. The Spotted Lantern Fly likes flat, smooth surfaces. Residents will need to inspect anything leaving the property for the bugs. The tree of heaven has been found in Hollenbach Park and other areas. It is anticipated that Upper Pottsgrove Township will be added to the quarantine area in the near future.

MAINTENANCE

VETERAN'S MEMORIAL AT HEATHER PLACE PARK – It was suggested by Commissioner Schreiber that the Board enter Heather Place in the Park Contest next year and if they win use the winnings for the Veteran's Memorial. The Board agreed that this was a great idea. There is barbed wire along the Sussell Trail that the Board would like to see removed as they feel it could be dangerous.

NEW BUSINESS

MEETING DATES FOR 2017 – The Board agreed to keep the same dates for the meetings in 2017.

DISCUSS ARCHERY HUNTING LOTTERY ON OPEN SPACE – D. Elliot pointed out that there have been over seventeen (17) deer killed in the open space along West Moyer and Pineford Roads and along Route 100. The Board discussed having a lottery for archery hunting in these areas to help cut down on the number of deer killed on the road. C. Lewis provided a sample that another township does. It follows all rules and regulations and special hunt conditions of the Pennsylvania Game Commission. The Board discussed the time they would hold it. They would want to have an orientation for all lottery winners to go over expectations, rules and regulations. It was decided that there would be two (2) hunters; one near Moyer Road and the other near Farmington Avenue. They discussed the use of portable tree stands and public safety. It was decided to propose the program to the Commissioners to get their feedback whether or not they would be in favor of something like this.

ADJOURNMENT - Motion by M. Reddick, seconded by C. Note and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm.

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Respectfully submitted,

Carol R. Lewis, Township Manager