Upper Pottsgrove Township Open Space Committee February 10, 2009 Meeting Minutes

In attendance were Chairman Herbert Miller, Dennis Elliott, Nancy Toothaker, Marie Novack and Peter Dolan. Also in attendance were Devan Stewart, Montgomery County Open Space Administrator, Eric Brinser, RETTEW, Lauren Zumbrun, RETTEW, Stephen Ailes, David Crock, Susan Thompson, Jill Ludy and Jack Layne, Township Manager.

I. Call to Order: Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at 7:04 P.M.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Elliott moved that the January 13, 2009 meeting minutes be approved as submitted. Ms. Toothaker seconded this motion. The motion was approved.

III. Reports:

No reports were provided.

V. Old Business

- A. Ad hoc Historical Board update
- 1). Update on Historical Marker/Plagues

No update was provided.

VI. New Business

A. Proposed Prince/Austerberry Master Plan

Chairman Miller introduced Mr. Brinser and Ms. Zumbrun with RETTEW. RETTEW has been selected by the Township to provide a Master Plan for the Prince/Austerberry open space area as a result of the \$25,000 grant awarded to the Township by the Pottstown Area Health and Wellness Foundation. Mr. Brinser gave a general overview of RETTEW's proposed schedule and effort to develop and submit a Master Plan. Highlights of comments made by RETTEW and the audience include the following:

- There will be a series of public meetings to discuss the proposed Master Plan (i.e., at the Open Space Committee meetings to be scheduled for February 10, 2009, March 10, 2009 and March 23, 2009 as well the April 6, 2009 Board of Commissioners' meeting).
- Mr. Brinser stated that the development of the Master Plan is important to the Township's proposed April 22, 2009 submittal of a Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PADCNR) grant application for funding.

VII. Adjourn

Ms. Toothaker moved that the meeting be adjourned at 8:31 P.M. Ms. Novack seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

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

Submitted by Jack Layne, Township Manager