

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP  
OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, January 8, 2013**

Ms. Butch called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

The Secretary read the Adequate Notice.

**Roll Call**

Present: (10) Asprocolas, Blanco, Butch, Denardo, Kau, Kuczinski, Morelli, Romano (7:39 pm),  
Schloss, Siedman

Absent: (1) Marra

**Public Comment Session:** Opened and closed at 7:32 pm; No public in attendance.

**Approval of Minutes**

A Motion to approve the November 15, 2012, minutes was made by Ms. Morelli with a Second offered by Ms. Schloss. Roll call vote:

AYES: (7) Morelli, Schloss, Blanco, Butch, Denardo, Kau, Siedman

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

**Reorganization**

- **Council Appointments:** Resolution No. 13-18 appoints the following members:
  - Pat Butch to seat 1 for a 3 year term commencing 1/1/13 and ending 12/31/15.
  - Tony Romano to seat 2 for a 3 year term commencing 1/1/13 and ending 12/31/15.
  - George Asprocolas as Alternate 1 for a 2 year term commencing 1/1/13 and ending 12/31/14.
  - Manny Blanco, Planning Board Liaison, for a 3 year term commencing 1/1/13 and ending 12/31/15.
  - Mike Kuczinski, Township Committee Liaison, for a 1 year term commencing 1/1/13 and ending 12/31/13.
- **Election of Chair:** Mr. Kuczinski made a Motion with a Second offer by Ms. Schloss to nominate Ms. Butch as Chairperson. No other nominations were made. With all in favor, the Motion was carried.
- **Election of Vice Chair:** Ms. Schloss made a Motion with a Second offer by Mr. Blanco to nominate Ms. Siedman as Vice Chairperson. No other nominations were made. With all in favor, the Motion was carried.
- **Adoption of Meeting Schedule for 2013:** Ms. Siedman made a Motion with a Second offered by Ms. Morelli to adopt the meeting schedule for 2013. With all in favor, the Motion was carried.

Meetings generally occur on the fourth Thursday of the month. The March, November and December meetings occur on the third Thursday of the month to accommodate for school and holiday schedules. The January 2013 meeting, which was originally scheduled for Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, was rescheduled to Tuesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, for an emergency executive session discussion. The 2013 meeting schedule is as follows:

January 8, 2013  
February 28, 2013  
March 21, 2013  
April 25, 2013  
May 23, 2013  
June 27, 2013

July 25, 2013  
August 22, 2013  
September 26, 2013  
October 24, 2013  
November 21, 2013  
December 19, 2013  
January 23, 2014

- **Designation of Official Newspapers:** Mr. Kau made a Motion with a Second offered by Mr. Asprocolas to designate the Asbury Park Press and the Messenger Press as the official Council newspapers. With all in favor, the Motion was carried.
- **2013 Committee Assignments:** Committee assignments will remain the same as in 2012. Anyone who would like to change their assignment should notify the Council Secretary.

### Correspondence

- Letter from the Ag Council thanking the Open Space Council for contributing to the Allen Barn dismantling project.

### Old Business

- **Trails:** Nothing new to report on the following trails:
  - *Industrial Park*
  - *White Birch Trail Grant*
  - *Doctor's Creek Trail Grant*

### New Business

- **Stewardship of the Orchard Trails:** Ms. Butch was contacted by a resident regarding ATV use on the Orchard Trails. Ms. Butch went out to the trails and saw evidence of ATV use and damage to the trails. Letters will be sent by code enforcement to area residents notifying them that motorized vehicles are prohibited on Township trails, offenders will be prosecuted and vehicles will be impounded. Signs will be posted stating "Motorized Vehicles Prohibited" and citing the Ordinance number. While the signs might not stop the activity, they are key to prosecuting offenders.

### Events

- **17<sup>th</sup> Annual New Jersey Land Conservation Rally:** March 9, 2013, at NJ Institute of Technology in Newark. The Secretary will forward additional information as it becomes available. Council members interested in attending the rally should notify the Council Secretary.

### Committee Reports

**Finance:** No discussion.

**Public Relations/Publications:** Council members discussed an April newsletter. The Ag Council is interesting in participating in the newsletter and would like to do articles on the barn project and the agriculture museum and would like to promote buying local

Jersey Fresh and Jersey Grown products. Articles on a stable State funding source for preservation and the Trapani Farm were also discussed.

**Legislative Awareness:** Nothing to report.

**Stewardship/Monitoring:** Ms. Siedman will be monitoring a trail with Ms. Morelli.

**Review Planning Board and Board of Adjustment Applications:** Nothing new to report.

At 7:58 pm a Motion was made by Ms. Schloss with a Second offered by Mr. Denardo and by unanimous vote the Council moved to executive session.

At 8:58 pm the Council returned to regular session. Having no further business to discuss, a Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Schloss with a Second offered by Ms. Siedman and by unanimous vote the meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Maher  
Council Secretary