

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP**  
**OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Minutes for Thursday, July 25, 2019**  
215 Millstone Road, Millstone Twp, NJ 08535

Meeting called to Order at 7:34 p.m.

Flag Salute

Reading of Adequate Notice

**Roll Call:** Present: Butch, Butewicz, Grbelja, Madeam, Scott, Smith  
Absent: Asprocolas, Blackwell, Morelli, Oxley

**Approval Meeting Minutes:** May 23, 2019

The Council did not have adequate time to review the minutes prior to the meeting due to internet outage from the storm. Minutes have been tabled till next meeting.

Ms. Scott opened and closed the meeting to the public at 7:35.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #12-04 Baird Homestead:**

Ms. Butch is preparing the close out letter to submit for reimbursement.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #14-12 Millstone Park Phase I:**

Ms. Butch is compiling a close out list for the grant. An Adhoc meeting should be scheduled shortly.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #17-03 Cady Property:**

Currently being processed for reimbursement.

**Barnegat Bay Preserve:** - Waiting for reimbursement of grant.

**Park Guide:** The council reviewed the preliminary map that was created. Deputy Mayor Grbelja would like to add the County and State Parks in a light shade and also add trails. A legend will also need to be created to show what activities are available. Mr. Madeam discussed trail maintenance.

**Clambake Wrap-up:** Ms. Scott thanked the council for their help and noted that the profit was \$1,200 more than last year. Deputy Mayor Grbelja stated it was a wonderful event.

**Fall Newsletter:** The deadline for all articles is August 19<sup>th</sup>. Suggestions for articles were horse industry, sports article pertaining to open space, deer management education, did you know, and mushroom farming. Members were asked for additional suggestions.

**New Business:**

Drone Update: Mr. Madeam discussed the unfortunate news of the lost drone. Mr. Madeam noted it should be a team effort at all times when piloting the drone. During the flight, the drone's low battery light went on and Mr. Madeam asked it to return back home. It seemed

to lose signal and it could not be located. Mr. Madeam stated that the aircraft and lens were lost, not the night vision camera. Deputy Mayor Grbelja asked if there could have been a defect in the battery. Mr. Madeam said he lost sight of the drone during the flight and then it went down. The council discussed ways to prevent this in the future. Mr. Madeam discussed a small device called a tile and uses blue-tooth for the GPS. The cost of the tile is about twenty-one dollars. The tile has a much longer range and the battery can be replaced if needed. Deputy Mayor Grbelja made a motion to replace the drone using fundraising funds and Ms. Scott seconded. The council unanimously voted to replace the drone.

**Events:**

Millstone Day: Members of the council were asked if anyone would like to volunteer during the day. The council will provide information for residents to view. Maps drone pictures, picture boards, and other material will be on display.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Ms. Butch inquired regarding the funding received for Lee Farm. Ms. Grbelja noted she will follow-up.

**Fundraising:** Discussed earlier under clambake.

**Grant Writing:** Ms. Butch noted that she is currently finishing up the 2019 MCOSG to be submitted in early August.

**Legislative Awareness:** Vice Chairman Butch explained that there are numerous items that are currently on hold due to the governor not.

**OSFP Inventory, Stewardship & Management:**

Chairman Scott noted The Orchards was just recently completed.

**Planning Board and Board of Adjustment Review:**

Nothing new to report.

**Public Relations, Publications & Education:**

Nothing new to report.

Seeing no further Agenda Items, Chairman Scott made a Motion to enter into the Executive Session to discuss potential preservation matters and Vice Chairman Butch offered a Second and by unanimous vote at 8:21 p.m., the Commission went into Executive Session.

The Council returned to the Regular Session at 9:33 p.m.

Seeing no further Agenda items to discuss, Vice Chairman Butch made a Motion to adjourn the meeting and Chairman Scott offered a Second, and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Peerboom