

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP
OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION COUNCIL
THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024
215 Millstone Road, Millstone Twp.
MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Vice-Chairperson Blackwell called the Meeting to Order at 7:36 p.m.

READING OF ADEQUATE NOTICE

The adequate notice was read by Secretary DeFelice.

ROLL CALL:

Present: (9) - Mr. Blackwell, Ms. Butewicz, Ms. Leineek, Mr. Madeam, Mr. Mamrega, Ms. Ming, Mr. Pado (7:42), Ms. Talyansky, Mr. Ziner

Absent: (1) Ms. Harper

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Opened public comment portion of the meeting at 7:37PM and closed at 7:37PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 28, 2024

Vice-Chairperson Blackwell made a motion to approve the minutes from March 28, 2024 and Councilperson Ming offered a second.

Roll Call: Mr. Blackwell, Mr. Madeam, Mr. Mamrega, Ms. Ming and Mr. Ziner voted in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE:

NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

SPRING ROAD –

- **REMEDIATION:** The contractor is scheduled to begin excavating the delineated area to remove the soil. Once the soil is removed, the LSRP will take post excavation samples to determine that lead levels are within DEP requirements.

BARNEGAT BAY PRESERVE – Required DEP sign placed at site. Path graded and stoned. Boardwalk area not started yet. The Open Space Council needs to review the signage requirements for the grant which is not part of the contracted work but needs to be completed for the grant.

MILLSTONE PARK PHASE II – No idea if this has been finally closed out. Township engineer and Recreation Department need to provide Monmouth County Parks and Recreation with closing information. A discussion ensued regarding the closeout of the grant and the condition of the courts. There is concern that projects are not being specked out properly and contractors are not being held accountable for poor work.

CLARKSBURG CULTURAL CENTER – Nothing to discuss.

BAIRD GREENHOUSE – No firm plans yet.

MILLSTONE PARK PAVILLION GRANT – Need to review estimated budget from engineer. Up to

Township Committee to re-submit application for next funding round.

ABATE PARK – Repairs to Abate Park need to be completed. The basketball and tennis courts are in need of significant repair and the wall in the handball court is failing.

BROOKSIDE ROAD PROJECT – Block 60.02, Lots 3.02; 11.01-11.06; 19; 22-24. Still waiting on proper title and survey from Monmouth County. Waiting for Green Acres to approve language in Conservation Easement with Monmouth County. Property was inspected by Open Space on 3/1/24. Do not expect any environmental issues.

NEW BUSINESS:

TREE PLANTING: The Shade Tree Commission is scheduled to plant trees at Millstone Park tomorrow, April 26 -Arbor Day. There is still no master plan to designate areas of the park for tree planting. Ms. Talyansky will follow up since she also sits on the Shade Tree Commission.

EVENTS:

- Clambake set for Sunday, June 2 at Wagner Farm Park Gym. 1:00 -3:00 and 3:30-5:30.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FINANCE REPORT – Bond payment for the Millstone Park purchase comes out of the Trust. Other expenses are for the other Open Space, Recreation and Historic projects currently underway.

No other committee reports.

At 9:03 p.m., Vice-Chairperson Blackwell made a motion to leave the regular session and enter into Executive.

At 9:12 p.m the Council returned to the Regular Meeting.

A motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Chairperson Blackwell and seconded by Ms. Talyansky. Meeting adjourned at 9:12PM

Respectfully Submitted
Andrew DeFelice, Open Space Preservation Council Secretary