

Open Space Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday April 25, 2017

Called to order 5:04 pm - David Brown

Attending committee members: Bill Dietrich, Jody Reinbold, Katie Weidner, Don Cook.

Township representatives: David Brown - Board of Supervisors liaison

David Brown announces that the composition of the open space committee has changed. The current ordinance has a board of supervisor member as a voting member of the committee. This goes against the second class township code that states a board member cannot have any other office in the township. The ordinance is being changed to remove a supervisor as a voting member of the open space committee. David Brown will continue as a liaison only. This creates a vacancy on the committee that will need to be filled.

Bill Dietrich nominates Jody Reinbold as Chairman, Katie Weidner seconds, nomination passes unanimously

Bill Dietrich motions to approve the minutes of February 28, 2017, Katie Weidner seconds, motion passes unanimously

Don Cook nominates Bill Dietrich as Secretary, Katie Weidner seconds, nomination passes unanimously.

Board of Supervisor requests:

Submit an annual report for 2016 and moving forward yearly. David Brown will create a 2016 report for the committee to approve at the next meeting.

Submit evaluation forms used to decide property value. David Brown will ask Erica Batdorf to submit the forms if she hasn't already done so.

Public Comment:

Vacancy on the committee needs to be appointed the board of supervisors. There has been no names given to them expressing interest. Current members have an date of termination, there is no date for the anticipated new member. The ordinance changes underway should clearly define length of term for each member currently and future appointments. The current terms are Bill Dietrich 2017, Don Cook 2018, Jody Reinbold 2019, Katie Weidner 2020

Old Business:

Pam Brown - French and Pickering Creek Trust has met with Glen Hill to discuss the creation of a package of consideration for an easement on his property. Considering the public access, acreage, and forest cover, Pam believes that there will be public funding available that this project would attract. The Hill's property was evaluated in the fall of 2016 and was considered of extremely high value falling just shy of the 16 Years LLC evaluation. Glen Hill would like to keep pursuing the opportunity. He is open to a perimeter trail and continuing the public access along French Creek.

New Business:

Next meeting Tuesday 5:00 PM May 23, 2017

Meeting adjourned to executive session to discuss real estate.