

MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP
OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes for Thursday, December 15, 2016
215 Millstone Road, Millstone Twp, NJ 08535

Ms. Siedman called the meeting to order at 7:37 PM.

The Secretary read the Adequate Notice.

Roll Call

Present: (7) Asprocolas, Denardo, Kozak, Lenzo, Marra, Schloss, Siedman

Absent: (3) Butch, Grbelja, Morelli

Public Comment: Opened and closed at 7:38 PM with no public in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

A Motion to approve the October 27, 2016, minutes was made by Mr. Denardo with a Second offered by Mr. Marra. Roll call vote:

AYES: (6) Denardo, Marra, Asprocolas, Kozak, Lenzo, Schloss

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

Correspondence:

- Robert Bailey: Resignation letter received 11/4/16.
- Email from Renee Jones dated 12/9/16 re: Supplemental Funding Request for 2017. The draft Supplemental Funding Request Form was distributed for Council review. The deadline for submission is 2/15/17.

Old Business

- **Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #12-04, Baird Homestead Development Project:** An extension of time has been requested to complete work on the windmill.
- **Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #14-12, Millstone Park Phase 1 Development:** Bonding is in place and contracts for Phase 1 have been awarded.
- **Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #15-03, Historic ME Church:** The Township Committee approved Change Order No. 3 for additional repairs to the church.
- **Annual Municipal PIG Application Cycle:** The list of target farms was discussed. Properties must have building lot potential and can be added in between application cycles if needed. Members of the Open Space and Farmland Preservation Council and the Agricultural Advisory Council, who have farms on the target list, must step down from their Council positions if they submit an application for preservation. The Secretary will submit the 2018 planning round application to the County tomorrow. Upon review by the County, the application will be submitted to the SADC.

New Business

- **Terms Expiring on 12/31/16:** Mr. Asprocolas, C/Grbelja, Ms. Kozak and Ms. Schloss
- **Preliminary Meeting Schedule for 2017:**

January 26, 2017	July 27, 2017	January 25, 2018
February 23, 2017	August 24, 2017	
March 23, 2017	September 28, 2017	
April 27, 2017	October 26, 2017	
May 25, 2017	November 16, 2017	
June 22, 2017	December 21, 2017	

- **List of Accomplishments for 2016:** The list of accomplishments was distributed for Council members to review.

Events

- **New Jersey Farm Bureau Convention:** November 14 & 15, 2016, in Princeton.
- **Combined State Agriculture Convention and NJ Vegetable Growers Association Convention:** February 7 - 9, 2017, in Atlantic City. Mr. Asprocolas has been nominated for a farmer position on the NJ Fish and Game Council. The nomination will either be approved or denied at the State Ag Convention. Mr. Asprocolas will be attending the convention.
- **Annual New Jersey Land Conservation Rally:** March 17, 2017, in New Brunswick. Mr. Asprocolas, Mr. Peck of the Ag Council, and the Secretary plan to attend the rally.

Committee Reports

- **Finance:** The 2016 open space trust activity report, with information through November, was distributed for review. No discussion.
- **Public Relations/Publications:** No discussion.
- **Legislative Awareness:** Council members briefly discussed the impact of the North Jersey gaming referendum question and the impact it would have had on the horse industry and farmers if the question would have been approved by voters.
- **Stewardship:** Stewardship of open space properties will begin again and Ms. Siedman will notify Council members when specific dates are scheduled.
- **Review Planning Board and Board of Adjustment Applications:** There were no new applications on this month's Planning Board agenda and the December Board of Adjustment meeting was cancelled.

At 8:12 PM, a Motion to move to executive session was made by Mr. Marra with a Second offered by Mr. Denardo.

AYES: (7) Marra, Denardo, Asprocolas, Kozak, Lenzo, Schloss, Siedman

NAYS: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

At 8:38 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 Mr. Asprocolas and by unanimous vote the meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine Maher
Council Secretary