

**OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION
MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2006**

At 7:28 p.m., Mr. Wingerter opened the meeting.

The Secretary read the Adequate Notice.

Roll Call: Present: Alves, Denardo, Disick, Mullarkey, Siedman, Wingerter
Absent: Butch, Abilheira, Morelli, Romano

Public Comment portion opened and closed at 7:34 p.m.

Mr. Wingerter reviewed the handout packets: Nesting Cover Basics, e-mail regarding presentation of check to Millstone for \$380,943 for Butch property, Resolution of MCADB granting final approval for the McFie property, Pheasants Forever information, Right to Farm information.

Mr. Wingerter reviewed the correspondence section of the agenda. A free Conflict Management and Communication Skills Building Workshop is being offered by the SADC. Mrs. Naugle offered information to anyone interested in attending. There was no interested. Mrs. Butch had previously expressed interested in attending on April 13, 2006, in Trenton.

Approval of the minutes of January 26, 2006. Mr. Alves made a motion to approve and Mr. Denardo offered a second. All in favor.

Old Business

The Trail Easement Ordinance is starting to be enforced on projects that agreed to them (i.e. Lennar on Conover Road).

Mrs. Butch and Mr. Wingerter attended the Monmouth County Open Space Plan Meeting and the 1st Annual Farmland Preservation Summit.

Mrs. Butch, Mr. Wingerter, Mrs. Siedman, and Mrs. Naugle will be attending the NJ 10th Annual Land Conservation Rally on Saturday, March 25, 2006, at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick, NJ.

New Business

Mr. Disick requested a copy of a contract between the state and a landowner as well as a copy of a Green Acres contract. A copy will be provided to him prior to the next meeting.

Mr. Mallarkey made a motion to go into Executive Session at 7:50. Mr. Alves offered a second. All in favor.

At 8:15, the Council returned to the Regular Session.

Mr. Wingerter mentioned the Township Committee has hired someone to perform a Recreation Study to determine the needs of each group.

Mr. Wingerter discussed a tree ordinance that would require property owners to receive permits to remove trees.

Mr. Wingerter mentioned that Mrs. Butch is working with the Township Engineers on the annual review of the Planning Incentive Grants and the Green Acres Application for Funding due April 14, 2006.

Mr. Mallarkey mentioned that he did not receive a Delinquent Real Estate Tax List from the Tax Collector. Mrs. Naugle will remind that Tax Collector to provide this list prior to each meeting.

Committee Reports

Finance: Mr. Disick discussed the need for an accounting for open space receipts and expenses. Specifically, what do we own? What do we owe? Mr. Pickering, the Township Administrator, joined the meeting to answer questions about OS&FP finances. The Open Space Tax generates \$636,000 annually. These funds are used to pay for surveys, appraisals, legal fees, etc. Mr. Disick will provide Mr. Pickering with specific financial information needed by the Council. Mr. Pickering will provide the Council with this information prior to the next meeting.

Preservation Signage: Mr. Wingerter has signs that will be installed once the weather gets warmer.

Legislative Awareness: Everyone is receiving e-mails from Mr. Wingerter.

At 9:05 p.m., Mr. Mallarkey offered a motion to adjourn. Mr. Disick offered a second. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Naugle