

**OPEN SPACE AND FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
DECEMBER 21, 2006**

At 7:40 pm, Mr. Wingerter called the meeting to order.

The Secretary read the Adequate Notice.

**Roll Call:**

Present: Denardo, Disick, Morelli, Romano, Siedman, Wingerter

Late: Butch (7:45)

Absent: Abilheira, Alves, Mullarkey

**Public Comment**

The public comment portion of the meeting opened and closed at 7:40 pm.

**Correspondence**

There was no correspondence this month.

**Approval of Minutes**

Ms. Morelli made a motion to approve the minutes of November 30, 2006, and Ms. Siedman offered a second. All in favor.

**Old Business**

- Mr. Wingerter reviewed the progress with the Community Map. So far, over \$6,000 in checks have been received from advertisers. Mr. Wingerter will set up a meeting with Ms. Lisa Spaziano after the holidays to discuss the size of the township map and street directory. The map will also include the information regarding township contacts, school contacts, houses of worship. The cost to produce the map is \$4,200 for 10,000 copies; a second bid for \$6,400 was also received. Mr. Disick will attempt to obtain a third bid. The deadline for advertising is 1/15. The deadline for having all of the map information together is 2/15. The maps will then be included in the March mailer.
- Ms. Naugle reviewed the Open Space Budget as of November 27, 2006.
  - Postage - Year-to-date expenses are \$1,650. Next year's budget will include \$2,000 for postage.
  - Newsletters - A new line item has been added. \$3,000 will be budgeted for three newsletters. Ms. Naugle is awaiting confirmation from the Examiner that this price will remain in effect for 2007. Additionally, the Messenger Press will be contact for a quote.

- Education/Seminars – Council members expect to attend the Land Rally again this year. Additionally, the Council may need to hold another Landowners Rally to disseminate information changes to the farmland preservation tax code and program.
- Mr. Wingerter agreed that the three bulletins agreed to at the last meeting are sufficient. Several suggestions for the spring bulletin are as follows:
  - Interview will local farmers – Mr. Wingerter asked if one of the Council members could interview Roz at Earth Friendly Organic Farm. Ms. Siedman agreed to conduct the interview.
  - Information on 2006 Federal Land Conservation Tax Code Changes
  - School helping with Open Space Tax referendum

### **New Business**

- Monmouth County Planning Board offered a Unique Area Recognition program. Ms. Butch and Ms. Spaziano completed a comprehensive nomination on the Rocky Brook. They later learned that the County was looking for nominations for places that could be preserved. A second nomination was completed on the Manzo Stavola sand pits.
- Planning Board Applications – The Perl North and South subdivision is coming before the Planning Board in February. The Huneke subdivision may be postponed. It will be determined next month how much time they will be allowed.
- Mr. Wingerter mentioned that the Monmouth Conservation Foundation’s annual dinner may be moved to Friday, August 24, to correspond with the NJ Thoroughbred Race at Monmouth Park that weekend. The Carriage Society, a group of high-end carriage riders, picks a charity to support each year. This year they will attend the race at Monmouth Park. Celebrities and the media will be on hand to make this a highly publicized event.

### **Committee Reports**

Finance: No report at this time.

Signage: No report at this time.

Public Relations / Publications: No report at this time.

Legislative Awareness: No report at this time.

Planning Board / Board of Adjustment Applications: No report at this time.

Mr. Disick made a motion to go into Executive Session at 8:02 pm. Mr. Denardo offered a second. All in favor.

At 8:22 pm, the Council returned to the Regular Session.

At 8:22 pm, Mr. Disick offered a motion to adjourn. Mr. Romano offered a second. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Naugle