

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP**  
**OPEN SPACE & FARMLAND PRESERVATION COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Minutes for Thursday, May 23, 2019**  
215 Millstone Road, Millstone Twp, NJ 08535

Meeting called to Order at 7:33 p.m.

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Reading of Adequate Notice

**Roll Call:** Present: Butch, Butewicz, Grbelja, Madeam, Morelli, Oxley, Scott,  
Absent: Asprocolas, Blackwell, Smith

**Approval Meeting Minutes:** April 25, 2019

The Council having reviewed the Meeting Minutes, Vice Chairman Butch made a Motion to adopt and Chairman Scott offered a Second. Roll Call Vote: Butch, Butewicz, Grbelja, Morelli, Oxley, and Scott voted yes to adopt the Minutes.

Ms. Scott opened and closed the meeting to the public at 7:35.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #12-04 Baird Homestead:**

Nothing to report.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #14-12 Millstone Park Phase I:**

Nothing to report.

**Monmouth County Municipal Open Space Grant #17-03 Cady Property:**

The closing package has been submitted and just waiting for the funds.

**Barnegat Bay Preserve:** - The closing package has been submitted and at the first level of approval.

**Park Guide:** The council discussed the parks and descriptions. The County and State parks will be shaded to include all acreage that is preserved in Millstone. Trails will also be included and how they connect. DM Grbelja would like a deadline of June.

**New Business:**

None at this time.

**Events:**

Clambake: Still waiting on responses from sponsors. All council members were asked to rsvp to the council secretary for the number of tickets needed. Arrival for setup is 12:30 pm.

**Committee Reports:**

**Finance:** Council reviewed.

**Fundraising:** Discussed earlier under clambake.

**Grant Writing:** Vice Chairman Butch discussed about writing the development grant for the Cady property. Items will include parking, bathrooms, sidewalk, bicycle repair station, and a couple items on the church to finish up. The grant is a 50% match up to \$250,000.

**Legislative Awareness:** Vice Chairman Butch noted the horse stall sales tax bill has almost gone through, Governor just needs to sign. Also a request for 2.5 million dollar grant for the NJ Ag Experiment station. The grant has been slashed in the previous years.

**OSFP Inventory, Stewardship & Management:**

Chairman Scott will organize.

**Planning Board and Board of Adjustment Review:**

Nothing new to report

**Public Relations, Publications & Education:**

Deputy Mayor Grbelja noted that Secretary Fisher will be kicking off “Horse of the Month”, June.

Vice Chairman Butch discussed the education piece the Agricultural Advisory Council is coordinating. Dr. Jay Kelly has been asked to speak and is available. They will also be hosting a speaker from the Monmouth County Mosquito Commission. The target dates are June 24 or June 26. As soon as the date is confirmed, emails will go out.

Seeing no further Agenda Items, Chairman Scott made a Motion to enter into the Executive Session to discuss potential preservation matters and Deputy Mayor Grbelja offered a Second and by unanimous vote at 8:07 p.m., the Commission went into Executive Session.

The Council returned to the Regular Session at 8:20 p.m.

Deputy Mayor Grbelja discussed the Spring Newsletter. She loved the new format and the paper that was used. For the fall newsletter she would like to spotlight the horse industry. It was discussed to show the influx of funds and how it is helping the industry. DM Grbelja asked Ms. Butewicz to write an article. Ms. Oxley discussed maybe a “did you know article” about the horse. We will also want to have an article on our education on our deer management program.

Seeing no further Agenda items to discuss, Chairman Scott made a Motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Oxley offered a Second, and by unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Peerboom