

East Pikeland Township Open Space Committee
September 16, 2008

Meeting began 7:05pm Meeting ended 7:350pm

Present: Rusty Strauss, Marilyn Randolph,
David Jarvie, Frank Giardina, Leo Galletto.

Absent: Stock Illoway, Gus Orr, Kim Dunn, David Toth

Approval of minutes from the August 21, 2008 meeting:

A motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Marilyn, seconded by David and passed unanimously.

Contact Follow up

The suggestion was made last meeting that the OSC follows up with those people that attended the meeting to see if we can get a commitment or decision. Contacts were made as follows:

Mr. Kohl ----- Rusty
Mr. Stierner-----Marilyn
Mr. Latshaw----- Stock
Mr. Meyer----- Dave

David was unable to contact Gus Meyer despite numerous attempts.

Rusty was in contact with Marcus who remains interested but not ready to make a commitment.

Marilyn contacted Mr. Steimer who is interested. Remains interested but the bottom line is important. He may respond in future if the OSC is able to produce more hard facts for him to consider.

General Discussion

Marilyn raised the point that she will offer her home to have another meeting with the property owners in the northern tier of East Pikeland (EP) after the OSC is able to determine values from the appraiser.

Rusty presented that appraiser, J. Brian O'Donnell's initial fee of \$5,000 for the service of looking at EP ordinance and establishing a baseline for the value of a development right in the township might be able to be funded through "PECO Green Region" program. The deadline for the application is November 1, 2008.

This proposal will need to be presented to the Board of Supervisors in October. The program makes available, a grant of, up to \$10,000 for a variety of planning issues related to the development of open space programs. This grant is available every year. There was discussion on if these funds could be used for the evaluation an individual property which will cost \$1,800.

Trail/French Creek Property Owners:

Kim has prepared a list of the properties adjacent to the proposed French Creek Trail along with other properties in the area that may be interested in the project. The OSC will have to contact these people and prepare for a meeting after further preparation.

Community Day:

Marilyn will be unable to represent the OSC at the upcoming community day. Rusty will be at the community day and may bring the map for demonstration. If anyone else is available and would like to help out please feel free to attend.

Meeting Conflict

The meeting in December will conflict with other township meetings and may be changed. To be discussed at future meetings.

Plea for addition members for the OSC

If anyone knows other EP residents willing to volunteer time and is interested in activities of the OSC please present the name to Rusty. No contact has been made with David Toth. Additional participants would be helpful.

Submitted by Leo Galletto