

**East Pikeland Township - Open Space Committee**

**February 15, 2011**

- 1. Meeting called to order at 7:02 by Rusty Strauss**
- 2. Present: Rusty Strauss, Stock Illoway, Dave Jarvie, John Schott, George Irwin**  
**Absent: Marilyn Randolph, Frank Giardina**  
**Open: Currently, two vacancies**
- 3. Stock moved and John seconded the approval of the minutes of the January 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.**
- 4. Daley property - It has been determined that this property cannot be subdivided so there is no more interest from the Open Space Committee. An easement would have no effect on the property.**  
**Stock will follow up with our appraiser to obtain an estimate on the value of such a property in the "I" district vs. appraisal values of a property in R-1 or R-2**
- 5. Orr property - The committee filled out the "Open Space Committee Priority Guideline" for this property and came up with a rating of "69".**  
**Stock moved and George seconded a motion to request that the Supervisors seek an appraisal on this property in order to proceed with an easement on this 17 acre piece.**
- 6. Cocchia property - This property off of Township Line Road and Seven Stars Road encompasses about 30 acres. It has been actively farmed and is about the last "large" open space in this part of the Township.**  
**The property had been subject of a preliminary development approval but at this point there is no activity directed toward developing it.**  
**It was decided to approach the current owner to see if he might be interested in an easement being placed on the property**

**and to further permit a group of us to visit and look at the property for possible easements from the Township. A meeting will be arranged with Gene Cocchia.**

**7. Scott property - This property is an odd shaped property of about 3 acres adjacent to the Township park in Kimberton. It is heavily wooded with a rise in elevation to a peak in the middle of the woods. This property might lend itself to outright purchase to protect the adjacent park.**

**Rusty will contact Gerry Miller to see if an approach could be made to the owner Mary Scott. We will initially determine if there is any interest in the Township proceeding to ease or buy this property.**

**8. Excelon property - Rusty will contact Excelon to determine what they intend to do with this property which has a long stretch of Stoney Creek running through it.**

**The Ottinger and DeMutis properties that abut the Excelon property could be of future interest.**

**9. Mattiola property - Stock will talk to Mattiola to again see whether he has any interest in proceeding with the township.**

**10. Massaro -**

**Stock moved and Dave seconded that we strongly and enthusiastically recommend that the Board of Supervisors proceed with steps necessary to purchase this property since the owner has been unable to get the bank, holding the mortgage, to permit the purchase of an easement on the property.**

**11. New Business - Stock alerted us that there is a meeting scheduled on May 19-21 on Land Conservation sponsored by the PA Land Trust Association.**

**12. With no further business, Stock moved and John seconded the adjournment of the meeting at 8:15**

**Respectfully submitted, George M. Irwin, Secretary**