

**East Pikeland Township - Open Space Committee**

**January 17, 2012**

**1. Meeting called to order at 7:00pm by Chairman Rusty Strauss**

**2. Present: Rusty Strauss, John Schott, Frank Giardina, Marilyn Randolph, Stock Illoway**

**Absent: George Irwin**

**3. Reorganization:**

**a) Marilyn Randolph made a motion to nominate Rusty Strauss as Chair of the Open Space Committee, seconded by Stock Illoway, all were in favor.**

**b) Marilyn Randolph made a motion to nominate Stock Illoway as Vice-Chair of the Open Space Committee, seconded by John Schott, all were in favor.**

**c) Marilyn Randolph made a motion to nominate George Irwin for Secretary of the Open Space Committee, seconded by Stock Illoway, all were in favor. (George had let it be known before the meeting that he would be interested in continuing as secretary.)**

**4. A motion was made by Stock Illoway, and seconded by Marilyn Randolph, to approve the meeting minutes from the October 18, 2011 meeting. All x were in favor.**

**5. Financial Report – Rusty handed out the December budget report and the 2012 approved budget for the Open Space Committee.**

**Rusty will schedule a discussion for next month with the firm that handles the township's bonds.**

**6. Rusty reported the current status for the following properties:**

**a. Massaro: This conservation easement has been completed. The committee reviewed the French Creek Trail map.**

**b. Kayla Evan: A Priority Grid was completed by the committee for this property. A motion was made by Frank Giardina, and seconded by Marilyn Randolph, to approve the priority grid and forward it with a letter to the BOS recommending moving to the next step towards investigating a conservation easement. All were in favor. Rusty Strauss will draft a letter and send to the BOS.**

- c. Kelly Field: A Priority Grid was completed by the committee for this property. A motion was made by Stock Illoway, and seconded by John Schott, to approve the priority grid and forward it with a letter to the BOS recommending moving to the next step towards investigating a conservation easement. All were in favor. Rusty Strauss will draft a letter and send to the BOS.**
- d. Randolph property: Scheduled a site visit for Saturday 1/21 at 12:30. All interested should attend.**
- e. Ruffo: A Priority Grid was completed by the committee for this property. A motion was made by Stock Illoway, and seconded by John Schott, to approve the priority grid and forward it with a letter to the BOS recommending moving to the next step towards investigating purchase or a conservation easement due to the property's presence of floodplain, wetlands, and wildlife habitat. All were in favor. Rusty Strauss will draft a letter and send to the BOS.**
- f. Orr: A date for closing of the conservation easement is being scheduled.**

**7. Stock Illoway mentioned that we has not followed up regarding the Coccia, Benyo, and Kolb, properties.**

**8. Rusty Strauss discussed the upcoming Comprehensive Plan update process.**

**9. The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm. Motion by Stock Illoway, second by Marilyn Randolph, all were in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted,  
Rusty Strauss**