

*Jan 5 mtg.*

**East Pikeland Township – Open Space Committee**

**November 18, 2014**

**1. Meeting called to order by the Chairman, Rusty Strauss, at 7:05**

**Present: Rusty Strauss, John Schott, George Irwin, Kersten Appler, Lee Johnson, Stock Illoway, Marilyn Randolph and Martin Sheehan.**

**Absent: Frank Giardina**

**Guest; Jonathan Gayle**

**2. John moved and Stock seconded the approval of the October 21 minutes with minor corrections.**

**3. Piazza Property -**

**Prior to a motion on this property, a priorities grid was developed with a total score of 111 points for the property. The committee's discussion included uses for the land including the main open space area for parkland, the portion at the corner of Coldstream and Rte #113, as well as alternate uses for the house along Hares Hill Road.**

**Stock Illoway made a motion to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to obtain an appraisal for the Piazza property. The motion was seconded by Kersten Appler and unanimously approved by the committee.**

**This recommendation will be forwarded to the BOS for their consideration at their meeting of December 2, 2014**

**4. Wagner Property (Cutler) – We have already forwarded a request to the supervisors to obtain an appraisal. This was done prior to their last meeting via e-mail.**

**A short discussion was held on the current status of the specifics associated with this property.**

**5. Bryn Coed – Stock clarified the status of the negotiations on the entire Dietrich tract and our portion remains unchanged to include our commitment of \$600,000.**

- 6. French creek Trail – Rusty has been in discussion with Mike Procopio from the Kimberton Waldorf School about a trail easement. We would be able to go across one section which does not have an agricultural easement but we need some creative work to continue the trail beyond KWS.**
- 7. East Pikeland Elementary – Lee and John met with the Building and Grounds committee of the School District to indicate our interest in either an easement or purchase of the Elementary School. It is too early in the process for the district to act but they appreciated being aware of our interest as an option for them.**
- 8. Brownfields (Shrawder) – Kim sent out the corrected letter and we are awaiting the scheduling of a meeting to pursue this purchase.**
- 9. Davis – No update. With the unwillingness of Davis to accept the appraisal, we need to pursue the availability of grant money as well as the potential for KYAL and the Fire Company to assist us in the purchase.**

**Jonathan had nothing further to add to his comments from last month.**

**Stock moved and Marilyn seconded a motion to adjourn.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**George M. Irwin, Secretary**

Open Space Fund (04)  
BUDGET REPORT

<u>Category</u>	<u>Year to Date</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,464,913.64</b>			
<b><u>Open Space Revenues</u></b>				<b><u>% Collected</u></b>
Open Space Earned Income Tax	\$ 806,004.51	\$ 650,000.00	\$ (156,004.51)	124%
Interest Earnings	\$ 3,592.95	\$ 2,500.00	\$ (1,092.95)	144%
Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Open Space Bank Borrowing	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 809,597.46</b>	<b>\$ 652,500.00</b>	<b>\$ (157,097.46)</b>	<b>124%</b>
<b><u>Open Space Expenditures</u></b>				<b><u>% Remaining</u></b>
Tax collection service fees	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Professional Services - Appraisals	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 3,400.00	34%
Professional Services - Land Survey	\$ 900.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 4,100.00	
Professional Services - Legal	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00	100%
Land Trust Fees	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Open Space Acquisition	\$ -	\$ 600,000.00	\$ 600,000.00	
Bank Borrowing Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Bank Borrowing Interest	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 7,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 628,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 620,500.00</b>	<b>99%</b>
Unrealized Loss/Gain	\$ 30,915.35			
<b>OPEN SPACE FUND BALANCE</b>	<b>\$ 3,297,926.45</b>			