

**East Pikeland Township
Open Space Committee**

**Meeting Minutes
June 18, 2024**

Present: Lori Beck, John Schott, Patrick Jennings, Betsy Burns, Frank Dzedzy, Stock Illoway, Emily Gorge, & Maureen Goebel

Absent: Phil Colaneri

Staff: Michelle Rubin

Emily Gorge, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Stock Illoway motioned to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Frank Dzedzy seconded, and the agenda was unanimously approved.

Stock Illoway motioned to approve the May meeting minutes. Maureen Goebel seconded, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

The Open Space Fund currently sits at \$7,281,756.12

New Business

1. Fun Run Discussion

- The committee discussed canceling the Fun Run event due to the commitments of the Open Space Forum. The committee agreed to cancel the run this year, and also discussed replacing it with an event that more aligns with the committee such as a nature walk or something similar.

Old Business

1. Committee Education

- French and Pickering Creek Conservation Trust partnership discussion: Michelle and Kim met with Pam Brown about a potential relationship between FPCCT and the Township.
- The committee met before the meeting to learn about open space term basics like real property, easement, the open space process, and what gives the township the authority to have an open space program.

2. Open Space Preservation Informational Meeting

- Subcommittee Report: The committee met to discuss the invitation list and format. The committee will specifically invite property owners who have 5+ acres or more in the Township. Once the list is official, committee members will be assigned to owners to follow up on the invitations. The forum will also be open to the public. Current goal is to send invitations in late July.

3. Active Property Updates

- Kimberstone: Discussions ongoing.
- Roberts: Setting up a meeting to discuss the new appraisal.

Public Comment

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38pm.