



WARRINGTON TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE AND LAND PRESERVATION TASK FORCE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

NOVEMBER 29, 2010

The first meeting of the Open Space and Land Preservation Task force was held on November 29, 2010 at the administration building at 852 Easton Road, Warrington beginning at 7:30 p.m. Members present were Joseph Balent, John McGowan, Kathy Newcomb, Ivy Ross, Ruth Schemm, Michael Sultanik and Robert Williamson. Staff present was Carolyn Hanel, CPRP, Director of Parks and Recreation

1. **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Introductions:** Mrs. Hanel led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The members of the Task Force were introduced to each other. Copies of the updated Open Space were distributed to the members.
2. **Election of officers:** The election of officers was deferred to the next meeting.
3. **Review charge for committee:** The Task Force reviewed the charge for the group as stipulated in Resolution 10-R-23:
 - Updating the inventory of all remaining Township open space parcels and keeping an index of such areas, whether publically or privately owned, including but not limited to flood-prone areas, swamps, and other unique natural areas, for the purpose of obtaining information on and making recommendations regarding the property use of such open space areas;
 - Developing and recommending programs for open space preservation and environmental protection;
 - Serving as an advisor to the Board of Supervisors on all matters associated with open space preservation within the Township;
 - Performing such other services as shall be requested, from time to time, by the Board of Supervisors.

In the discussion that followed, the Task Force asked staff to obtain additional information on the County agricultural preservation program.

It was suggested that the Task Force request the Heritage Conservancy attend a meeting to provide an overview of methods for open space preservation, such as conservation easements, trail easements, etc.

The Task Force members agreed to review the recommendations of the Open Space Plan and discuss implementation at the next meeting.

4. **Set date for next meeting and future meetings.**

The Task Force agreed to meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 p.m. The next meeting will be held on December 27.

There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Hanel, CPRP
Director of Parks and Recreation