

WARRINGTON OPEN SPACE AND LAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

December, 2022 Minutes

- **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance:** Ivy Ross, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at approximately 7:32 pm. Ms. Ross led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Attending at the Hybrid meeting were:

Ivy Ross, Chairperson	Sharon Kaszon	Fred Suffian
Kathy Newcomb, Secretary	Barbara Brown	Bonnie Stetson
Ruth Schemm, Board of Supervisors Liaison	Rick Weiss	
	Guy Powell	

- **Public Comment:** None.

- **Business:**

- a) **Open Space Parcel Discussion and Levels of Protection**

Ruth, Ivy, Mike D., and Terry Clemens met. Levels of protection were established. The levels as established are numbered in reverse order to what was presented at the November meeting. i.e, Number One is the highest level of protection.

Level 1

Full easement. \$15,000 one time fee per parcel if held by Heritage Conservancy. Township will handle encroachments. Considered parcels are Emerson Farms, Weisel, Laurel Gardens and Grove Valley combined. Mill Creek is already held by Natural Lands.

Level 2

Blanket easement. Land from developers would be protected.

Level 3

No protection. this would include active parks and fields, most tot lots.

Discussion followed considering levels of protection for various parcels.

- b) **Memorial Tree Planting Project**

Doylestown Township has a program that is an example. Rick Weiss will present the concept to Park and Rec.

- c) **Master Plan Update**

Mill Creek Ad Hoc committee met. At January 12 meeting, members will be updated. All Open Space meeting attendees were unanimous that all committees should have input to the BOS on this.

- d) **Investigating Conservation Easements**

Discussion on how to move forward to acquire more land for Open Space. Conservation easements are one possibility.

- f) **Recycling in Parks and Open Spaces**

Need to determine if feasible. The 2 cans in existence at IPW seem to be working.

- **Adjournment.** Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:25 pm.