DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Meeting of the Open Space Advisory Committee

Borough of Peapack and Gladstone Municipal Building 1 School Street, Peapack, NJ 07977 7:30 PM Wednesday; November 25, 2019

<u>Attendees</u>

- Members (8)
 - Sujin Beckerman (OSAC Vice Chairperson)
 - Lucy Engebretson
 - Tom Hart
 - Steve Kinsey (OSAC Secretary) Absent
 - Rich Rampinelli
 - Mike Seboria (OSAC Chairman)
 - Ron Silacci
 - Terese White Absent
- Other Attendees
 - Chris Downing
 - Mark Van deBergh
 - Ann Van deBergh
 - Jamie Murphy (Council Liaison to OSAC)
 - Greg Skinner (Mayor)
 - Greg Morris (PG Ag Committee Chair)

Meeting Opening (Call to order & pledge of allegiance)

• The meeting was called to order at 7:40pm by <u>Sujin Beckerman</u>, seconded by <u>Rich</u> <u>Rampinelli</u>

Determination of Quorum

• With 6 out of 8 members of OSAC present, a quorum was established

Approval of Minutes

 The minutes of the May 20, 2019 meeting were reviewed by committee members and approved for submission. Motion by <u>Sujin Beckerman</u>, seconded by <u>Rich Rampinelli</u>. Approved by voice vote.

Current & Active Topics

- Nelson property update
 - Property owner is receptive to farmland preservation and/or open space acquisition
 - Current lead scenario is for:

- Lot facing South St (12 acre lot) to be acquired by borough using open space funds
- Lot facing Willow Ave (~30 acres) to be farmland preserved
- Next step is for the acquisition of the South St facing lot to be authorized/negotiated and funds to be sourced
- Additional conversations will likely have to occur via Executive Session
 - OSAC members are requested to be present (Nov 26 @ 6:30pm)
 - Mike and Beth will prepare an update for discussion with council, including an update on available funds, potential acquisition targets, and possible grants that can be pursued to offset borough costs
- Its likely Beth D from NJ Conservation would assist with the negotiation
- The cost of the property appraisal would likely be split with the owner
- OSAC Fund update
 - There are approx \$2.9MM in funds

Council & Liaison Updates

Council Update

• n/a

Recreation Committee

• n/a

Trails Committee

• n/a

Historic Committee

• n/a

Environmental Commission

• n/a

<u>Misc</u>

• n/a

Next Meeting

• Next meeting is currently not scheduled

Meeting Ending

• At 8:40pm a motion was passed to adjourn the meeting

Submitted by Steve Kinsey, OSAC Secretary, on XXX