

MENDHAM BOROUGH OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES 1/12/2012

Meeting Location: Phoenix House, 2 West Main Street, Mendham, NJ

1. Meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Connolly, at 7:13 PM.
2. Mr. Connolly read the Adequate Notice Statement: Notice of this meeting was published in the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record on January 27, 2011 and was posted on the bulletin board in the Phoenix House on the same date in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.
3. Roll Call:
 - George Connolly, Chair, Present
 - David Sprandel, Vice Chair/Secretary, Present
 - John Andrus, Council Representative, Absent
 - Peter Barry, Absent
 - Adam Slutsky, Present
 - William DeBuvitz, Present
 - Charles Topping, Absent
- Alternates:
 - Keith McNair, Present
4. Mr. Debuwitz moved, Mr. Slutsky seconded and the minutes for the meeting of September 8, 2011 were unanimously approved.
There were no minutes for the November 10, 2011 meeting to approve as there was no quorum for that meeting.
5. 2012 Reorganization.
 - a. Election of Officers.
 1. Mr Sprandel moved, Mr. DeBuvitz seconded and all approved that Mr. Connolly retain the position of Chairman.
 2. Mr. Sprandel moved, Mr. Slutsky seconded and all approved that Mr. DeBuvitz be the Vice Chairman.
 3. Mr. DeBuvitz moved, Mr. Slutsky seconded and all approved that Mr. Sprandel retain the position of Secretary.
 - b. A resolution was read by Mr. Connolly providing the dates during the coming year on which the committee will meet at the Phoenix house, 3 W. Main St., Mendham, NJ during the following 12 months: 3/8/2012, 5/10/2012, 7/12/2012, 9/13/2012, 11/08/2012 and 1/10/2013. Mr.

Connolly moved, Mr. Slutsky seconded and all approved that the resolution, as read, be adopted. The resolution was signed by Mr. Connolly and Mr. Sprandel and provided to Ms. Diane Callahan.

- c. A resolution was read by Mr. Connolly specifying:
1. The Observer Tribune and/or the Daily Record are designated as the newspapers to receive notices of the committee's meetings.
 2. The bulletin board in the Phoenix House is the location for public notices of the committee's meetings.
 3. A fee of \$12.00 is the amount to be paid by a person requesting individual notice of the committee's meetings.

Mr. Connolly moved, Mr. DeBuvitz seconded and all approved that the resolution, as read, be adopted. The resolution was signed by Mr. Connolly and Mr. Sprandel and provided to Ms. Diane Callahan.

6. Old Business

- a. Borough Loop Trail – Mr. Slutsky reported the grant application to the state for \$25K was not approved.
- b. Tranquility Garden – The DPW, under the guidance of Mr. Ken O'Brien, hopes to use any "extra cycles" they might find this winter to work on improvements to the garden. They have already cleaned up the branches that had fallen from the latest snow storm.
- c. Peter Barry joined us at 7:43 PM.
- d. The Borough council has decided to use \$30K of open space funds to pay for a study on dam repairs at the Mud Hole.
- e. Charles Topping has expressed an interest in applying to the Morris County Historical Society for a grant to work on the stone wall at 34 E. Main St.

7. New Business – None.

8. Public Comment – None.

9. Adjournment – Mr. DeBuvitz moved, Mr. Sprandel seconded and all approved we adjourn at 8:04 PM.

- a. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 3/8/2012, at 7:00PM.

