

New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met **Tuesday, August 16, 2011** at the Township Building. Present were Chairman Bernie McKay, Vice Chairman Gary Bell, Rich Chadwick, Deb DuBois, Christopher Robinson, Mary Sproat, and Erin Lee.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as circulated.

Treasurer's Report: Loan account \$1,996,041.12; Savings account \$1,107,498.88; Checking account \$9,400.93, for a total of \$3,112,940.93.

Planning Commission - Chris and Mary will attend the August meeting, where PREIT will be on the agenda.

Old Business - Friends of Trails - the excavating machine is due 8/27. David Rickerman will manage the draining of the RR bed, estimated to cost \$3600. The Boy Scouts have almost finished the board walk on the Mill Race Trail. Oct. 22 will be the opening of the Mill Race trail at 10 AM; rain date the next day. The meadow has been mowed. Another Scout is working with Ben Marsden on signs.

Deb received a note from David Hawk outlining how to operate our 501C3 account. The Botanical Survey will be online on the Township website tomorrow.

New Business - PA Greenways & Trail Summit in September in York - Bernie encouraged anyone interested to go.

Pam sent us the minutes from the Kennett Area Regional Planning Commission, which has an agenda item for connecting trails.

Erin announced that NLT is planning a "new owners" event for the White Clay watershed to thank landowners who have closed on easements, and invite landowners who may be interested in easing. It is proposed for one of the last Sundays in October. She asked if our Township Building would be available. Landowners from New Garden, Franklin, London Grove, and London Britain Townships will be invited to attend.

Community bicycle trail grants - Pam sent the information to us and Bernie turned it over to Don.

The Board moved to Executive Session at 7:45.

Bernie McKay, Chairman  
Mary Sproat, Secretary