

The New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met Tuesday April 16th, 2013 in the Township building. Present were Chairman Gary Bell, Rich Chadwick, Ben Marsden, David Rickerman, Chris Robinson and NLT Consultant Erin Lee. Absent: Don Peters, Mary Sproat

The meeting came to order at 7:05 pm.

The minutes of the last meeting were not distributed and will be received at the May meeting.

FRIENDS OF NEW GARDEN TRAILS

Ben Marsden described remaining grant funds with an anticipated invoice for printing the trail brochures. No action has been initiated for purchase of the remaining trail sign proposed. It was recommended that another sign be purchased and installed at the loop area of the mill Race trail, indicating that motorized vehicles were excluded from trail use. Ben agreed to secure a sign for installation. Chris agreed to provide a key to the township police for access to the trail from Auburn Road.

GRANTS COORDINATOR REPORT

Erin reported that the DCNR grant application for the Hendrickson property had been submitted and that a decision on funding the grant would occur later in the year. Don submitted the Dockstader grant proposal, due April 1st.

OSRB WEB PAGE PROPOSAL

No additional comments were presented for consideration and the draft copy circulated with the agenda was accepted. The web page will reflect the change as Chris has opportunity to complete the necessary formatting.

NEW BUSINESS

A meeting with the Board of supervisors is planned for April 27 to explore interest in proceeding with a conservation easement proposal and need for an understanding of the relationships between the supervisors, the OSRB and Friends of New Garden Trails. Don and Gary will meet with the supervisors at 6:30.

Ben agreed to attend the next meeting of the Planning Commission on May 22, at 7:30 PM

Statement of Financial Interest forms from the Commonwealth of PA were distributed to OSRB members for return to Lew Gay.

Information describing appraisal requirements for conservation easements were distributed and reviewed. This information will be added to the Conservation Easement Packet.

The meeting moved to the Executive Session @7:30 PM