

## Minutes - December, 2015 OSRB Meeting - Public Session

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New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met **December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2015** at the Township Building. Meeting convened at 7:06 pm.

Attendance:

2015	Stan	Ben	Don	Dave	Chris	Kecia	Erin
20-Jan	x	x	x	x	x		x
23-Feb	x			*T	x	x	x
17-Mar	x		x	x	x	x	x
21-Apr	x		x	*T	x	x	x
20-May	x		x	x	x	x	x
16-Jun	x		x		x	x	
21-Jul	x		x		x	x	x
18-Aug	x		x		x	x	x
15 -Sep	x		x		x	x	x
20-Oct	x		x	x	x	x	x
17 -Nov	x		x	x	x		x
-Dec	x		x	x	x		x

\*T - Teleconferenced in for part of the meeting

**Minutes** - The minutes from the last meeting were approved as circulated.

Guests for the public session included Steve Allaband and Randy Leiberman.

### Old Business

- Friends of New Garden Trails update (Don) - Don reported some vandalism on the Landenberg Junction trail. This was reported to the police.
- Grant Coordinator/Funds Report (Don)
  - Nothing to report this meeting.
- Volunteer Hours Report (Chris) - Reminder to keep track of your hours using form that has been provided. **PF - Everyone keep track of hours by month and forward to Don to track.**
- Don to get other documents to Chris for files. **Complete**

## New Business

- Annual report - Stan was originally going to draft this up based on the 2014 annual report, but then handed this off to Don due to Stan's hospitalization. Don completed a draft that will be reviewed at our next meeting in January and will be included in the mailing for the December minutes.
- Discussion regarding open positions on OSRB. Karen Antell and also Randy Lieberman have expressed interest. Chris has another potential member from Harogate that may be joining us as well.
- This was Don Peters last meeting. All of the team members are very appreciative of his efforts. The following statement is from our chairman, Chris Robinson:

*Don has served on this board for 8 years, most of its existence. His tireless energy and dedication to preserving land in our Township enabled the OSRB to acquire land and trail conservation easements. In addition to serving on the Greenways Project, Don engineered major projects for the new trail system in the Township and gave countless hours of his time and his tools. Most importantly, Don solicited and received thousands of critical funds from various grantors enabling the Township to purchase conservation easements and allowing the Friends of the New Garden Trails to acquire building materials and construction services for the expanding trail system. The members of the OSRB appreciate his due diligence and commitment to preserving open land in New Garden Township. We'll miss his thorough annual reports, his organized and resourceful mind and his dynamic presence on the Board. Thanks Don.*

- Membership renewal - Don will be ending his term at the end of this year. Chris will be renewing his term. Ben will be ending his term also at the end of the year.
- Electronic Newsletter - New Garden Lyceum

### **PF - Develop future articles for the newsletter as follows:**

- **Spring 2015 OSRB update. Conservation easements process in simple terms (land use, protections provided, funding, and benefits for owner and to community, etc.) -Chris**
- **Possible update on Lamborn Run - Chris to discuss with Shane**

The Public Session closed at approx. 8:20 pm and the Board moved to Executive Session.