

## Minutes - October, 2014 OSRB Meeting

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New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met **October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2014** at the Township Building. Meeting convened at 7:00 pm.

Attendance:

2014	Gary	Rich	Stan	Ben	Don	Dave	Chris	Erin
23-Jan	x	x	x		x	x	x	x
18-Feb	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x
18-Mar	x	x	x		x		x	x
15-Apr	x	x	x		x	x	x	
20-May	x	x	x		x			x
17-Jun	x	x	x		x		x	x
15-Jul	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
19-Aug	x			x	x		x	x
16-Sep	x	x			x		x	
21-Oct	x	x	x	x	x		x	x
18-Nov								
16-Dec								

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

### Old Business

- Friends of New Garden Trails update (Chris, Don and Ben) - Regarding trail use rules, these still need to be printed out and posted. **PF-Chris will post rules.**

Recent Landenberg Junction Trail work included putting steps in place and painting garage that still needs to be completed. Chris and Don met with Scout troop 53 regarding building kiosk and historical sign. **PF - Remaining projects include signage, cleaning and painting the remaining exterior of the garage and acquiring and placing a kiosk. Acceleration of these projects is necessary to meet terms of the funding grant. Don will work with volunteers from FONGT to complete this work.**

Girl scouts may also be involved in a possible habitat restoration project (White Clay Creek project).

- Grant Coordinator/Funds Report (Don) -
  - The PECO Green Region grant closes in December, 2014; balance remaining is \$5682. Based on current forecast, there is approx. \$1,000 left to spend after signs and other expenses. It is critical that the remaining work be completed

and invoices submitted by mid-December so that funds can be spent per the grant. **PF - Chris will ensure habitat restoration sign is completed by 11/15 and Ben will ensure that history of property sign is completed by 11/15.**

- White Clay Creek Lamborn Run grant closes 2017. A request for proposal (RFP) for professional assistance with planning has been developed and submitted to the BOS for review and acceptance. **PF - Continue working with Shane Morgan and others on implementation plans for the multi-year project.**
- Volunteer Hours Report (Gary) - Reminder to keep track of your hours using form that Gary has provided. **PF - Everyone keep track of hours by month and forward to Don to track.**
- NGT Open Space Documents file (Chris) - No updates reported at meeting. **PF - Continue to work with Mary to complete collection of available data.**
- Hendrickson parcel purchase (Erin) -A recognized goal is to keep signage consistent in appearance and content across trail system. Erin reported that everything is proceeding with this purchase. **PF - Chris to follow-up on signage standards and related information. Together, Chris and Don will prepare the sign(s) content and design.**
- Gary gave copies of old minutes to Chris for posting on New Garden Web site.
- Township Anniversary celebration (Chris) - Chris reported that there were over 250 people that attending the celebration. OSRB and FONG Trails shared a booth.
- New Garden Lyceum Newsletter articles (Chris/Stan) - Next issue (December release date) will feature a resident profile of Mr. Hendrickson along with an article on the Landenberg Junction Trail.

#### **New Business**

- Terms Expiring at end of 2014 - May need some replacement candidates for 2015. **PF - Forward any suggestions to Gary.**
- Don mentioned the upcoming White Clay Watershed annual meeting on 10/22 at the Township Building.
- New Garden Newsletter - Planned articles for the township newsletter were scheduled for upcoming issues. **PF - Develop future articles for the newsletter as follows:**
  - **Winter 2014** Hendrickson Profile and Landenberg Junction Trail - Chris, Don, Ben
  - **Spring 2015** Water Quality - Shane Morgan

- Summer 2015 Lamborn Run Project - Shane and Don
- Fall 2015 Conservation easements (land use, protections provided, funding, and benefits for owner and to community, etc.) - Chris

The Public Session closed at approx. 7:50 pm and the Board moved to Executive Session.

The Board returned to Public Session at 8:16 pm and adjourned.