

## Minutes – July OSRB Meeting

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New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met **July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2014** at the Township Building. Meeting convened at approx. 7:03 pm.

Attendance:

<b>2014</b>	<b>Gary</b>	<b>Rich</b>	<b>Stan</b>	<b>Ben</b>	<b>Don</b>	<b>Dave</b>	<b>Chris</b>	<b>Erin</b>
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								
16-Sep								
21-Oct								
18-Nov								
16-Dec								

Minutes - The minutes from the last meeting were approved as circulated. Date correction was noted on the minutes heading, so refer to version date on the document.

### Special opening topic with Historical Commission representatives

- Visitors present were Peggy Jones, Mike Leja, and Supervisor Steve Allaband, from Historical Commission and township resident, Helen Doordan.
- Initial discussion was around Armstrong property (tax id 60-5-33) 21.3 acres adjacent to Helen (Chris Robinson's sister) that may be available for open space conservation.
- Next topic was around the McCann 7.8 acre property on Buttonwood Road that is owned by Charles Wilkinson, and contains the historic house that the Historical Commission would really like to preserve and protect. Peggy discussed the historical significance of this structure and it is one of the top 5 historic structures in the township. Additional discussions on this topic were held in Executive session.

### Old Business

- Friends of New Garden Trails update (Don) – Mill Race ATV sign was installed adjacent to kiosk. Also the Laurel Run and Landenberg junction ATV signs were installed. There is one more needed in the parking area. On 7/26 there will be a major work day on the

Landenberg Junction trail. **Path Forward (PF) –need take pictures to give NGPD Chris will follow-up on trail use rules. Ben thought he had something in his computer files that may help here and will follow-up with Chris.**

- Grant Coordinator/Funds Report (Don) –Don sent out the Dockstader report for review and comments; he will make minor changes per feedback and will send out the final report. PECO green region grant closes in December 2014; about \$10,000 starting funds, balance is \$8,990. White Clay Creek Lamborn Run grant closes 2017; nothing major to report yet on this grant. **PF – continued working with Shane Morgan and others on implementation plans for White Clay Creek multiyear 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
- OSRB and Friends of NG Trails (Gary) – Gary received response from Vince regarding his feedback on the ladder of responsibilities between BOS, OSRD, and FONGT. Changes were discussed and there was agreement on the upgrades. **PF – Gary will review with BOS and Spence to finalize and signoff.**
- Hendrickson parcel purchase (Erin) – Register will get started on the survey. Have received 2 quotes on the appraisal (approx. \$1800 and \$2000). Need title for surveyor as well as deed restriction information. Will need signage on funding acknowledgements. Goal is to keep signs consistent across trail system. **PF – Chris to follow-up on signage standards and related information.**

## **New Business**

- Terms Expiring at end of 2014 – May need some replacement candidates for 2015. **PF – Forward any suggestions to Gary.**
- New Garden Newsletter article – Newsletter was sent out on June 30<sup>th</sup>, and over 350 residents have signed up. Gary also mentioned that the article would also serve as a good introduction when meeting with prospective landowners regarding working with the OSRB. **PF – all team members should sign up for the email list, if you have not already done so. OSRB team can also begin thinking about a follow-up article in the Fall newsletter to be published in September.**

The Public Session closed at approx. 8:25 pm and the Board moved to Executive Session.