

**Minutes – August 19, 2014 OSRB Meeting**

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New Garden Township Open Space Review Board met **August 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014** at the Township Building. Meeting convened at approx. 7:05 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	x			x	x		x	x
16-Sep								
21-Oct								
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) – The ATV sign installed last month has been removed from the entrance to Laurel Woods Trail. Much work was accomplished at the Landenberg Junction Trail head.  
**Path forward (PF) Trail rules need revision and posting at trail heads. Tree removal is the next item to be addressed in preparation for the planting of native vegetation on the site of the house. After removal of the trees, topsoil will be distributed to provide suitable conditions for plant growth. Date for planting is set for September 13.**
- Grant Coordinator/Funds Report (Don) –Don submitted the Dockstader grant summary report.; The PECO Green Region grant closes in December 2014; about \$10,000 starting funds, balance is \$8035.91. White Clay Creek Lamborn Run grant closes 2017; nothing major to report yet on this grant. Application forms from PECO have been received for review. **PF – Continue working with Shane Morgan and others on implementation plans for White Clay Creek multiyear project. Review application for possible grant submission for additional trail projects.**

- 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 will forward response from Vince regarding his feedback on the ladder of responsibilities between BOS, OSRB, and FONGT to Spence for review and appropriate action by the BOS.
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- Hendrickson parcel purchase (Erin) – Register Associates will complete the required survey. The appraisal has been ordered (rob Boehm). Signage on funding acknowledgements will be required and the goal is to keep signs consistent across trail system. **PF – Chris to follow-up on signage standards and related information. Erin will send Don requirements for data on the sign. Together Chris and Don will prepare the sign content and design.**

### **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 articles are requested for future publication dates. September 15 is the submission date with publication estimated for September 22. **PF - Develop future articles for the newsletter as follows:**
  - **Hendrickson profile - Chris**
  - **Water quality - Shane Morgan**
  - **New Garden Trails (data from brochure) - Ben, Chris**
  - **Lamborn Run Project - Shane and Don**
  - **Landenberg Junction Trail - Chris, Don, Ben**
  - **Conservation easements (land use, protections provided, funding, and benefits for owner and to community, etc.) TBD**

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