# MINUTES OF THE REORG MEETING OF JANUARY 27, 2021 FARMLAND PRESERVATION AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

The joint meeting of the Frelinghuysen Township Farmland Preservation and Open Space Committees was held in the Municipal Building, 210 Main Street, Johnsonburg, New Jersey on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by the secretary, Donna Zilberfarb.

## **SUNSHINE LAW STATEMENT:**

Under the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting was provided by posting notice on the Township bulletin board and by e mailing notice to the New Jersey Herald and The Express-Times.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Open Space Members present:

Wendy Buttgereit, Marty Connor, Dan Carson (7:38 pm), Keith Ramos, Charlie Schaffer. Ralph Corvino and Chris Kuhn were absent

Farmland Preservation Members present:

Wendy Buttgereit, Marty Connor, Keith Ramos, Charlie Schaffer, Rick Rogers. Rich Derricks, Chris Kuhn and Jim Simonetti were absent.

## **REORGANIZATION:**

- Ms. Zilberfarb asked for nominations for Chair for Farmland Preservation. Motion was made by Mr. Connor to nominate Mr. Schaffer for Chair of Farmland Preservation, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor. There were no other nominations. Mr. Schaffer accepted the Chair for Farmland Preservation.
- Ms. Zilberfarb asked for nominations for Chair for Open Space. Motion was made by Ms. Buttgereit to nominate Mr. Connor for Chair of Open Space, seconded by Mr. Schaffer. All were in favor. There were no other nominations. Mr. Connor accepted the Chair for Open Space.
- Ms. Zilberfarb asked for nominations for Vice Chair of Farmland Preservation.
   Motion was made by Mr. Connor to nominate Mr. Rogers. Mr. Rogers declined.
   Motion was made by Mr. Rogers to nominate Mr. Connor for Vice Chair of Farmland Preservation, seconded by Mr. Schaffer. All were in favor. Mr. Connor accepted Vice Chair for Farmland Preservation.
- Ms. Zilberfarb asked for nominations for Vice Chair of Open Space. Motion was made by Mr. Connor to nominate Ms. Buttgereit, seconded by Mr. Schaffer. All were in favor. There were no other nominations. Ms. Buttgereit accepted the Vice Chair for Open Space.

Mr. Schaffer took over the meeting at this time.

# **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

 Meeting minutes of November 4, 2020 were approved on a motion by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor. Ms. Buttgereit and Mr. Carson abstained.

#### **MEETING DATES:**

 Meeting dates for 2021 were approved on a motion by Ms. Buttgereit, seconded by Mr. Conner. All were in favor.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

There were questions regarding the trust fund account by Mr. Connor. He asked about the expenses that were going through the trust fund that in the past was coming out of a recreation fund. Mr. Ramos explained that there are no rentals at this time and that because of no rentals there is no money coming in. The charges are being taken out of open space/rec trust fund like they were from the beginning. Mr. Connor stated that the expenses are going to start as he felt there will be maintenance on the building that will be needed soon, ie. Roof and deck. Mr. Ramos explained that this is on the radar for the Township Committee. Mr. Schaffer asked to get feedback from the Township Committee.

Mr. Ramos will get together and discuss with the CFO and get back to the committees in March. Mr. Connor stated he would like feedback on what is the plan for that building and the financial issues as well.

## **OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC:**

Motion was made to open to the public by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor.

There was no public

Motion was made to close to the public by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion was made by Mr. Connor to enter into executive session, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor.

No action was taken during executive session.

Motion was made to exit executive session by Mr. Connor, seconded by Mr. Rogers. All were in favor.

## **RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION:**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

• 2020 Highlands Region Land Preservation Status Report

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Rogers, seconded by Mr. Connor to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. All were in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donna Zilberfarb, Secretary FLP/OS Committees