

**HALFMOON TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD
REGULAR MEETING-MINUTES
NOVEMBER 5, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Joe Tylka called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Other members present were Patti Hartle, Lorin Nauman and Ben Pisoni. Staff present was Amy Smith, OSPB Administrator and Rebekah Laird, Recording Secretary. No audience was present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. MINUTES

- ***MOTION: Mr. Nauman moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 17, 2014 as submitted; Mr. Pisoni seconded; Vote 4-0-0; Motion carried.***

4. SANDRA PODGURSKI LAND RATING

Ms. Smith ran over points awarded as per current land rating form for Sandra Podgurski application. The points awarded were as follows:

- 3.22 points awarded for acreage of land (as per formula on land rating)
- 2 points awarded for land that runs along 550
- 2 points awarded for land that has been farmed for previous 5 years.

There was a brief discussion about wording for steep slopes in the land rating form and the significance of different soil types in relation to earning special merit points. Mr. Tylka mentioned the significance of the landowner preserving this parcel of land so close to the village district where it could have easily be developed. There was a discussion about including this in consideration for special merit points to be awarded. Mr. Nauman suggested to give 2 points for the class I soil on the land and to give 1 point for preserving land on edge of village district.

- ***MOTION: Mr. Nauman moved to award 2 special merit points for class I soil and 1 special merit point for preserving land in village district of township; Mr. Pisoni seconded; Vote 4-0-0; Motion carried.***

The total points awarded to the property, with addition of the special merit points, totaled to 10.22 points.

- ***MOTION: Mr. Pisoni moved to forward the application of Sandra Podgurski to the Planning Commission to review; Mr. Nauman seconded; Vote 4-0-0; Motion carried.***

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Smith reminded the board members this would be the last meeting for the year 2014 and the next meeting would be the first Wednesday in January for re-organization.

6. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no citizen's comments

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:22pm.

- ***MOTION: Mr. Nauman moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:22pm; Ms. Hartle seconded; Vote 4-0-0; Motion carried.***