

**HALFMOON TOWNSHIP  
OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD  
MEETING AGENDA  
FEBRUARY 10, 2021  
6:00 P.M.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair will call the meeting to order.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

**4. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 13TH, 2021**

**5. DEFINITION OF OPEN SPACE AND FACTORS THAT INCREASE ITS VALUE TO PUBLIC**

**Definition of Open Space for Halfmoon Township**

**Open Space** -- lands that are in primarily a natural state, contain few or no structures, and on which significant further development is prohibited by legislation, deed restriction or other mechanism.

**Open Land** – per RPD zoning legislation.

**Rating Factors for the Permanent Preservation of Open Space in Halfmoon Twp.**

**1. Public Benefit**

- ~~Provides public access for passive enjoyment, sport, recreation or hunting~~
- Provides scenic viewshed and aesthetic features for the community
- Enhances the value to the public of abutting or neighboring parks, forests, or other open space
- Provides open space in an area in the Township that does not otherwise have a large amount of preserved open space.
- Provides a buffer between residential neighborhoods and other residences or commercial structures.
- Helps to protect water resources and watershed areas, including natural covers which help prevent floods and soil erosion thereby protecting water quality and replenishing surface water and groundwater supplies

**2. Consistency with Municipal Open Space Plan**

- Protects local water supply
- Promotes conservation of fields, wetlands, streams, ponds and other wildlife habitat
- Preserves historic sites
- Protects or encourages native flora and fauna
- Promotes agriculture
- Provides or helps to provide a corridor from the Game Lands to Bald Eagle Ridge
- Ensures through its preservation other lands remain open (e.g., hinders road or other utility access to nearby lands) or otherwise helps manage Halfmoon Township's growth

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT