

**HALFMOON TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD
REORGANIZATION MEETING-MINUTES
JANUARY 9, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Lorin Nauman called the meeting to order at 7:02pm. Other members present were Christine Bracken-Piper, Jim Smith, Joe Tylka, Ron Hoover and Patti Hartle. Staff present was Amy Smith, OSPB Administrator, Susan Steele, Township Manager and Rebekah Laird, Recording Secretary. No audience was present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN

- ***MOTION: Mr. Tylka moved to nominate Mr. Nauman as the Chair; Ms. Bracken-Piper seconded; Mr. Nauman accepted; Mr. Hoover moved to close the nominations; Mr. Tylka seconded; Mr. Tylka moved to appoint Mr. Nauman as the Chair; Ms. Bracken-Piper seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.***

4. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

- ***MOTION: Mr. Hoover moved to nominate Mr. Tylka as the Vice-Chair; Ms. Bracken-Piper seconded; Mr. Tylka accepted; Mr. Hoover moved to close the nominations; Ms. Bracken-Piper seconded; Mr. Hoover moved to appoint Mr. Tylka as the Vice-Chair; Ms. Bracken-Piper seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.***

5. RECORDING SECRETARY

- ***MOTION: Mr. Tylka moved to appoint Ms. Laird as Recording Secretary; Mr. Hoover seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.***

6. MEETING SCHEDULE

There was a brief discussion of possibly more meetings since there was a possible date in April to present recommendations to the Board of Supervisors to which it was said that it was just a tentative date to present but if more time is needed it could be revised. There was also a brief discussion of moving original date of July 3rd to the next week due to it's proximity to July 4th to which the board agreed.

- ***MOTION: Mr. Hoover moved to approve the following meeting dates for the OSPB for 2019 for the 1st Wednesday of each month, with the exception of July as follows: February 6th, March 6th, April 3rd, May 1st, June 5th, July 10th, August 7th, September 4th, October 2nd, November 6th and December 4th; Mr. Tylka seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.***

7. MINUTES

- **MOTION:** *Mr. Hoover moved to approve the meeting minutes of December 5th, 2018 as submitted; Mr. Tylka seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.*

8. OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Nauman suggested discussing an agenda for the next few meetings to get recommendations set up to present to the Board of Supervisors. Ms. Steele stated that at this time she met with the township solicitor and advised him of their intents for making changes to the program so that he can attend the February meeting to give recommendations that might or might not have to be made to the code first. Ms. Steele suggested the first set of recommendations then be for any code changes and a second set of recommendations be program changes after any code changes were made. There was brief discussion of possible code changes that might come up and Ms. Steele stated that she would send out copies of the memo she was sending to the solicitor with questions regarding the code so that the board could review and add if needed.

There was a discussion about a current applicant and that her application will be put on hold/aside until she had explored all options for permanent preservation easement on her land. There was also a discussion about similarities with previous property and this new application that was preserved through a partnership of the Open Space Program and the County.

Mr. Nauman mentioned an attachment for a scoring system used in Lancaster County for board to review for possible ideas when the time came to review their own land rating system as part of the program. Mr. Nauman also reviewed an amendment to use of Act 153 money and how it might possibly affect possible future use of funds in the open space board. Ms. Steele and Ms. Smith both stated that they had passed the information along to the solicitor to review along with questions about the code.

9. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

There were no citizen's comments.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:44pm.

- **MOTION:** *Mr. Tylka moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:44pm; Mr. Hoover seconded; Vote 6-0-0; Motion carried.*