BIRMINGHAM TOWNSHIP, CHESTER COUNTY RECREATION, PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE (RPOS)

February 19, 2018

Vice-Chairman Feld called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Building. The following were in attendance:

Chuck Feld Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee

Jim RosenthalMember, RPOS CommitteeJim KelicanMember, RPOS CommitteeBob SocashMember, RPOS CommitteeDan HillMember, Board of SupervisorsJudy JensenSecretary, RPOS Committee

Absent from the meeting was Chairman Anne Siemer.

APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 15, 2018 MINUTES

The minutes of the January 15, 2018 RPOS meeting were approved, as written; all in favor.

BILLS

There were no bills presented at tonight's meeting.

BIRMINGHAM HILL UPDATE

RPOS members chose April 7 (Saturday) as a workday at Birmingham Hill. They will meet at 9 a.m. in the parking lot. Activities will include replacing rails and posts along the fence and replacing the wood chips on the trail. If there are too many posts and rails that need to be replaced, RPOS may decide to hire someone to do the work.

CANNON

Mr. Feld will contact Pocopson resident Jerry Barnes, who has generously donated an 1841 Civil War replica cannon to the Township. Students at the Williamson College of the Trades plan to make needed repairs to the cannon. Once the repairs are complete, RPOS will determine where to locate the cannon.

LANDSCAPE PLAN FOR SANDY HOLLOW

The current landscaped beds at Sandy Hollow are aging and the plants in the beds are not all native to the area. Mr. Feld is working on a new landscaping plan, which he hopes to present at the next RPOS meeting.

FANELLI PROPERTY

Sheila Fleming of the Brandywine Conservancy has offered to develop a plan for the Fanelli property if the Township acquires the land. Any plans presented to RPOS will be reviewed by the committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Rosenthal would like RPOS to consider switching the sign panels at Birmingham Hill and Sandy Hollow. He has spoken to Pannier, the manufacturer of the signs, and they have given him literature outlining the steps necessary to remove and insert sign panels.

RPOS is considering placing another bench at Birmingham Hill. The committee will check the 2018 budget to determine if there is funding for an additional bench.

Mr. Feld will contact MAJIC to determine if the cost of the maintenance contract for Sandy Hollow and Birmingham Hill is the same as 2017.

The next RPOS meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2018.

With no public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Jensen RPOS Secretary