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

August 15, 2016

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

Anne Siemer Chairman, RPOS Committee
Jim Rosenthal Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee
Chuck Feld Member, RPOS Committee
Judy Jensen Secretary, RPOS Committee

Absent from the meeting were Members Michael Langer and Jim Kelican.

APPROVAL OF THE JULY 18, 2016 MINUTES

The minutes of the July 18, 2016 RPOS meeting were approved, as written; all in favor.

BILLS

RPOS reviewed a \$100 bill from Leave No Trace representing the renewal cost for next year. After a discussion about the importance of continuing to support the philosophy of the organization, Mr. Rosenthal made a motion to recommend to the Board of Supervisors that the Township renew its membership with the Leave No Trace organization for the coming year. Mr. Feld seconded the motion. The motion was approved; all in favor.

BIRMINGHAM HILL UPDATE

Chairman Siemer recently cleaned off the interpretive sign at Birmingham Hill. Mr. Feld plans to replace a few of the fence rails along the Birmingham Hill trail.

SANDY HOLLOW UPDATE

RPOS members have installed two new benches at Sandy Hollow.

Chairman Siemer noted that the container that used to hold dog waste bags is empty and is now being used as a trash receptacle. Mr. Feld said he will remove the bag container.

Mr. Feld said that despite the hot, dry summer, the three oak trees that were planted in the spring near the cannon seem to be doing all right.

Mrs. Jensen said she sent the file for the latest interpretive sign to Pannier. Pannier will send a proof of the sign to the RPOS committee for their review before work on the actual sign begins.

NEW BUSINESS

RPOS members discussed potential plans for the Cacchio property. According to the easement agreement, the property is to be used for historic interpretation or education. With this in mind, RPOS members thought perhaps a small parking lot could be developed on the property, along with a walking trail and interpretive signs.

The next RPOS meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2016.

With no public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Jensen RPOS Secretary