

Birmingham Township

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

February 21, 2022

Chairman Chuck Feld called the meeting of RPOS to order at 7:00 PM in the Birmingham Township Building. A quorum was declared.

The following were in attendance:

Chuck Feld	Chairman, RPOS Committee
Brian Bonkoski	Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee
Bob Socash	Member, RPOS Committee
Kathleen Brecker	Member, RPOS Committee
Dan Hill	Member, Board of Supervisors
Melissa Urbany	Secretary, RPOS Committee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

245th Reenactment Sept 24-25

There will be a meeting to discuss the reenactment at the Birmingham Township building on March 9 at 7:00 PM. The RPOS Committee will run the Township tent during the event.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Since the agenda was not publicly posted 24 hours prior to the meeting, RPOS will need to vote and approve it before the meeting begins. It will also need to be posted in the Township building for 24 hours after the meeting. Mr. Socash made a motion to approve tonight's agenda. Mr. Bonkoski seconded; all in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Bonkoski motioned to approve the January 17, 2022 RPOS minutes. Mr. Socash seconded; all in favor.

Review Bills

There were no bills to review at tonight's meeting.

Landscape Maintenance Bids

Mr. Feld met with Sunny Gardens Landscape Services this morning and signed the landscaping contract for 2022. They will start by completing the winter cleanup of beds at Sandy Hollow and Birmingham Hill.

Birmingham Hill

Flags

Mr. Bonkoski did not get a chance to purchase additional flags. He plans to soon.

Rail Replacements

Ms. Worth attended tonight's meeting. RPOS thanked her as she has been replacing fence rails.

Sandy Hollow

1. Deerfield gave a price to clean up the hedgerow and tree vines. Since RPOS is saving on the landscape budget, Mr. Feld would like to spend the difference on that effort. Mr. Socash motioned to approve using the budget towards Deerfield's clean-up. Mr. Bonkoski seconded; all in favor.

New Business

1. Ms. Doreen O'Neill attended tonight's meeting as she is interested in joining the Committee. She is currently available to devote her extra time to RPOS efforts, has a financial background, and has lived in the Township since 1993. Mr. Socash motioned to recommend that Ms. O'Neill join the RPOS Committee. Ms. Brecker seconded; all in favor.
2. North American Land Trust acquired Brinton Run Reserve on Oakland Road. They plan to put trails there this Spring. They would like permission to use Birmingham Township's sign wording, Brandywine Battlefield Trail, and symbol, as there may be connecting trails through Birmingham in the future.
3. RPOS discussed needing volunteers for different events and work days. The idea of creating a social media account to create and share posts was brought up as a possibility. Ms. O'Neill added that she was unaware of these days in the past, so members agreed that a social media post or something similar would be an efficient way to spread the word.

Mr. Socash motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Brecker seconded; all in favor. With no further business and with no public comment, the meeting was adjourned at 7:23 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Urbany
RPOS Secretary