

# **Birmingham Township**

## **Chester County**

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

**January 16, 2023**

Chairman Chuck Feld called the meeting of Recreation, Parks and Open Space to order at 7:00 PM in the Birmingham Township Building. A quorum was declared.

#### **Organize for 2023**

Mr. Socash motioned to appoint Mr. Bonkoski as temporary Chairman for the purpose of electing a permanent RPOS Chairman. Ms. O'Neill seconded; all in favor.

Mr. Bonkoski motioned to nominate Mr. Feld as permanent RPOS Chairman for 2023. Mr. Socash seconded the motion. Mr. Feld abstained from voting. All in favor. The motion was approved with three in favor and one abstention.

Chairman Feld nominated Mr. Bonkoski as Vice-Chairman for 2023. Mr. Socash seconded the motion. Mr. Bonkoski abstained from voting. The motion was approved with three in favor and one abstention.

After voting, the meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM.

#### **The following were in attendance:**

<b>Chuck Feld</b>	<b>Chairman, RPOS Committee</b>
<b>Brian Bonkowski</b>	<b>Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee</b>
<b>Bob Socash</b>	<b>Member, RPOS Committee</b>
<b>Doreen O'Neill</b>	<b>Member, RPOS Committee</b>
<b>Melissa Urbany</b>	<b>Secretary, RPOS Committee</b>

**Absent was Dan Hill, Board of Supervisors Member**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Socash motioned to approve last month's meeting minutes. Ms. O'Neill seconded. The December 16, 2022 RPOS minutes were unanimously approved.

#### **Birmingham Hill Update**

**Flags**

Mr. Bonkoski plans to visit the Brandywine Battlefield store when it's open to purchase more flags as they will be needed for Memorial Day.

**Order Bench**

The budget will allow for two new benches, so Mr. Feld would like to go ahead and get the total cost to purchase including delivery. A purchase order will need to be made from the office in order to place the order. One bench will be put by the Conservancy's driveway and the other on the other side of the field. Ms. O'Neill volunteered to get final pricing and inquire about the purchase order.

**Rails**

Mr. Feld plans to purchase a reserve of new fence rails from Ace Hardware soon.

**Work Day**

Ms. Worth kindly replaced all of the downed rails at Birmingham Hill recently.

In the new landscape maintenance bids, Mr. Feld plans to add in for the lawn to be cut one mower's width on the inside of the fence.

RPOS agreed to wait to install the benches until the new panels are installed.

**Sandy Hollow Update****Trade Panels**

Mr. Feld would like to contemplate purchasing a new panel sometime in the near future. It was agreed upon that RPOS would reach out to the Historical Commission to see if they would create the sign and in turn RPOS would cover the cost.

Mr. Bonkoski volunteered to take a look at all of the panels at Sandy Hollow and Birmingham Hill and see if any can be rearranged.

Mr. Bonkoski has also been walking at the park regularly and stated that everything is currently in good condition.

**The next RPOS meeting is scheduled for February 20, 2023.**

Mr. Socash motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bonkoski seconded; All in favor. With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**  
Melissa Urbany  
RPOS Secretary