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

## **April 15, 2019**

Chairman Anne 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
Chuck Feld Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee
Jim Rosenthal Member, RPOS Committee
Dan Hill Member, Board of Supervisors
Judy Jensen Secretary, RPOS Committee

Absent from the meeting was Member Bob Socash.

## **APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 18, 2019 MINUTES**

The minutes of the March 18, 2019 RPOS meeting were approved, as written; all in favor.

#### **BILLS**

RPOS reviewed a \$597.50 bill from Brandywine Ace, Pet and Farm for 50 rails for the fencing at Birmingham Hill.

#### SANDY HOLLOW UPDATE

Mrs. Siemer said that the last time she stopped by Sandy Hollow, the dog waste station was full. She will call Clevens K9 Scoop and inquire about the cost to set up and maintain a second dog waste station at the park.

#### **BIRMINGHAM HILL UPDATE**

A workday was held at Birmingham Hill on April 6<sup>th</sup>. Five volunteers from the American Battlefield Trust, as well as a Township resident, helped with the maintenance activities, which included replacing fence posts and rails. RPOS is extremely appreciative of the volunteer help during the workday and wishes to express their gratitude to the American Battlefield Trust and the Township resident who graciously gave of their time and talents during the maintenance activities.

The fence line along the Birmingham Hill trail has been moved, which means people walking the trail no longer have to cross Meetinghouse Road. Mr. Feld mentioned that tree stumps need to be removed from the driveway. He will check and see when the work will be completed. RPOS discussed the possibility of placing signs along the trail to show people walking along the trail that they no longer have to cross Meetinghouse Road.

## INTERPRETIVE SIGNS

Mrs. Siemer presented several possibilities for the interpretive sign about foot soldiers that is currently being worked on. RPOS picked their favorite, which Mrs. Jensen will complete. She will also put the QR code on the sign. Once the sign is complete, Mrs. Jensen will have it printed at Staples and will present the proof at the May RPOS meeting.

Mrs. Siemer will ask Mike Forbes of the Township's Historical Commission to review and update the webpage on the Township's website.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

A meeting of the Brandywine Battlefield Landscape, Battlefield Strategic Landscapes Planning Project, will be hosted by the Battlefield Task Force on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 4:30.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$  Rosenthal discussed the continued work on the Chester County Town Tours. The kickoff will be on August 29 .

The next RPOS meeting is scheduled for May 20, 2019.

With no public comment, the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Jensen RPOS Secretary