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

December 19, 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
Bob Socash Member, RPOS Committee
Doreen O'Neill Member, RPOS Committee
Melissa Urbany Secretary, RPOS Committee

The following were not in attendance:

Brian Bonkoski Vice-Chairman, RPOS Committee
Dan Hill Member, Board of Supervisors

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Since the November meeting was canceled, Ms. O'Neill motioned to approve the October 17th RPOS minutes. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Review Bills

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

Budget

The 2023 budget was recently approved by the Supervisors. Sandy Hollow now has the same allotment as Birmingham Hill.

RPOS agrees they'd like to be proactive in maintaining Sandy Hollow; particularly the walnut trees that drop debris onto the trail, and discussed the possibility of adding a new panel.

Birmingham Hill Update

Trail Easement Agreement

Mr. Feld obtained the trail easement agreement with Brandywine Conservancy. It states that only two benches are allowed on their property. Despite that, it would still be possible to add two to the Worth's property, preferably near the new panel which will be installed soon.

In the easement, it states that the inner fence along Birmingham Road belongs to the Conservancy. Since it's not currently being maintained and RPOS has enough in their budget, they will cover the additional trimming.

Bench

Order Bench

Ms. Brecker sent Mr. Feld the information she obtained about purchasing a new bench. Ms. O'Neill volunteered to gather information for the next meeting.

Rails

There are two rails leftover from the end of 2021. Mr. Feld plans to purchase about 30 more with 2022's leftover budget.

Sandy Hollow Update

The group discussed a possible work party in February after the cold weather breaks.

New Business

There was no new business at tonight's meeting.

The next RPOS meeting will be on January 16th, 2023.

Mr. Socash motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ms. O'Neill 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