Montgomery Township Open Space Committee Minutes of Meeting January 13, 2015

The monthly meeting of the Open Space Committee was brought to order by Chairman Roy Rodriguez was held at 7:30PM on Wednesday, January 13, 2015 at the Montgomery Township Municipal Building. The members of the Open Space Committee in attendance included Roy Rodriguez, Larry Poli, and Jay Glickman. Jeff McDonnell, Board Liaison and Stacy Crandell, Assistant to the Township Manager were also present.

Call to Order: The Reorganization meeting was called to order at 7:31PM.

Chairman Roy Rodriguez turned the meeting over to Acting Vice Chairman Jay Glickman. Acting Chairman Jay Glickman entertained nominations for the Chairman position and nominated Roy Rodriguez for Chairman. Roy Rodriguez was elected Chairman for 2015. Jay Glickman turned the meeting over to the elected Chair Roy Rodriguez who then entertained nominations for Vice Chairman. Jay Glickman was nominated and elected Vice Chairman for 2015.

Adjournment: The Reorganization Meeting ended at 7:35PM.

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:35PM.

Approval of Minutes: On a motion by Jay Glickman, seconded by Larry Poli, the minutes of the January 29, 2014 meeting were approved.

Public Comment: None.

Opening Remarks:

Chairman Rodriguez welcomed everyone back since the last meeting.

New Business:

NLT Growing Greener Award

Chairman Roy Rodriguez was notified and asked to have Montgomery Township submit an application for the award. With the assistance of Marianne McConnell and Bruce Shoupe, the Township submitted the Basin Naturalization Program, Native Meadow Project, and Land Acquisition. Chairman Rodriguez explained the importance of these projects.

Trails

The Committee discussed about some projects they could undertake and one of the priorities of the Open Space Committee is to see the implementation of trails in the Township. Township Staff suggested making a priority list. Chairman Rodriguez explained that he would like to have

the Park and Recreation Board be more involved in trails and asking them to put funding in their budget for trails each year so they could start implementing some trail plans. Township Staff suggested attending the EAC meeting on January 27 at 7PM to see how the presentation on the Bike and Pedestrian Study. Township Staff will reach out to the Park Board to see if a representative would like to attend the meeting as well.

Old Business:

• Korean War Memorial

Chairman Roy Rodriguez explained about the progress with Korean War Memorial that is being proposed at the Memorial Grove Park. A Committee was formed with State Representative Kate Harper, State Representative Todd Stephens, and State Representative Tom Murt. Chairman Rodriguez asked if there was someone that was in the Korean War from Neshaminy Falls who would like to be a part of the planning committee.

• Agenda for the Year

Chairman Rodriguez set the meeting schedule for April 14, July 14, and October 13 to be held at 7:30PM.

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Open Space Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 7:57PM. *The next meeting is April 14, 2015 at 7:30PM*.