

**MINUTES  
OPEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
TOWNSHIP OF MONROE  
June 4th, 2012**

The Regular Meeting of the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee was called to order by Chairperson Leonard Fritz at 7:05PM in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Meeting Room of the Municipal Complex. Chairperson Leonard Fritz led the Committee in the salute to our flag.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Fred Akers, Jerry Carey, John Daraklis, Leonard Fritz, Shawn Massey, Chuck McGlynn, Matthew Scardino, and Cncl. Bill Sebastian

Excused: Elaine Moore-Wright

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

John made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted of the Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting for May 7<sup>th</sup> 2012. The motion was seconded by Jerry and approved by all members of the Committee in attendance.

**REPORTS**

Council Liaison – Councilman Sebastian spoke briefly about the owner of Shorty’s Junk Yard purchasing the old Jamesway to use as an indoor junkyard. There are still approvals that he would have to receive in order to do so and the township did not intend to use the property for this use.

The new Walmart will be opening June 13, 2012

Environmental Commission – Matt Scardino said that the township is now part of Tree City USA again. He said that the Commission has been busy meeting requirements for both Tree City USA and The NJ Tree Grant.

Parks and Recreation Commission – Shawn said that the music festival was a success.

Planning Board – No member has been appointed to date.

Zoning Board of Adjustment – Len said that Hovnanian has received their first approval in reference to the conversion law that applied to a 195 unit subdivision on Fries Mill Road known as “Sterling Glen I”

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business discussed.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Jerry said that he created a checklist of Open Space information in the surrounding municipalities that he has collected, and has collected information for Gloucester County Open Space. He has been trying to collect information for Burlington County Open Space as well, but has not received anything.

Jerry also talked about information that he found on the DVRPC website.

Fred talked about finding more acreage in the Monroe Township area of the Winslow Wildlife Management Area on a recent map.

Fred also discussed his experience at this year's Annual Frog Walk, and some changes that he would like to see.

Chucked talked about the cutting of trees behind Wagner field, but no one knows why it was done or who did it.

John had a question about the meetings for July and August. Len stated that at this time, the meetings are still scheduled.

**PUBLIC PORTION**

There were no members of the public present.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Leonard Fritz asked for a motion to adjourn. John made a motion to adjourn the Monroe Township Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting of June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The motion was seconded by Shawn; all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tara Park, Secretary

*These minutes were prepared from excerpts of the tape-recorded proceedings of the Regular Open Space Advisory Committee Meeting of June 4, 2012 and serve as only a synopsis of the proceedings.*

Approved as submitted \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Approved as corrected \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_