

Schuylkill Township Open Space Commission

Minutes

February 27, 2023

MEMBERS: Bob Mauch, Claudia Kiernan, Tim McAvoy, Joe Greco, Kathi Lex, Matt Kline, Paul Peterson

ATTENDANCE: Bob Mauch, Claudia Kiernan, Tim McAvoy, Joe Greco, Kathi Lex (via teleconference), Matt Kline, Paul Peterson

Board of Supervisors in attendance:
Martha Majewski, Board of Supervisors
Susan Guerette, Board of Supervisors
Laurie Getz, Township Manager
Jack Stefferud, Natural Lands

CALL TO ORDER: 6:45 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION: 6:45 – 7:39 pm

PUBLIC MEETING: 7:40 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Bob Mauch, Chairman of the Open Space Commission, called the Public Session of the Open Space Commission meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. He noted that there was a quorum present.

APPROVE MINUTES: Claudia Kiernan made the motion to approve the January minutes, which was seconded by Tim McAvoy, and approved unanimously.

PROPERTY OUTREACH: We are continuing to draft the agreement of sale for the Parcel O property. We are preparing for outreach activities including calls and mailings in the next quarter.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Bob Mauch gave the Treasurer’s report. The Open Space Fund cash balance was approximately \$10.2mm as of the end of January 2023. Earned income taxes were approximately \$20,000 higher than the previous year. We are on track for our budget of \$1.175mm for the entire year. Interest earnings are substantially higher this year. Total revenues are \$107,000 in 2023 versus \$46,000 in 2022. We expended approximately \$4,900 in January for conservancy advisory services, principally related to Natural Lands.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS: The team discussed the possibility of updating the Schuylkill Township website with improved content related to parcels that have been conserved by OSC.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:10 pm and was passed unanimously.

Signed by Secretary: _____ Joseph Greco _____