

MINUTES HARDING TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE  
SPECIAL MEETING – June 23, 2008

Mr. Lanzerotti, Chairman, called the special meeting of the Harding Township Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. and announced that adequate notice for this meeting had been given as required by law.

**ROLL CALL:** Present– Mr. Bartlett, Mr. Lanzerotti, Mr. Murray, Mr. Rybka and Mr. Ward  
Absent – None  
Also Present – Ms. McKane, Township Administrator/Clerk and Peter Henry,  
Special Counsel  
Number of members of the public present: 10

**ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

**Ordinances – Introduction**

Ordinance 13-08 – Authorizing Acquisition of an Interest in a Parcel of Unimproved Land Known and Designated as Lot 4.05 in Block 7 and Authorizing the Acquisition of an Interest in the Development Rights to Lot 4.06 and a Portion of Lot 4 in Block 7

Mr. Lanzerotti reviewed the Ordinance and noted a public hearing is scheduled for July 9, 2008. A motion was made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mr. Ward to introduce Ordinance 13-08.

Mr. Henry provided an overview of the Ordinance and explained it authorizes the Township to expend \$500,000 from the Harding Township Open Space Trust Fund. He reviewed the properties being preserved via conservation easement and fee simple. Mr. Henry also reviewed the Harding Land Trust's agreement with the owner of the property.

A discussion ensued between Messrs. Murray and Henry pertaining to the conservation easement language. Mr. Murray voiced his concerns regarding public interest and control of stormwater, drainage and wetlands. Messrs. Ward, Murray and Henry discussed the boundaries and encroachments on the property. They also reviewed wetland regulations and drainage. Preservation signage was also briefly discussed.

Mr. Murray thanked the Harding Land Trust for their hard work and for surfacing this property. He added that this is an exceptional open space project and another example of the great collaborative relationship the Township has with the Harding Land Trust.

Mr. Lanzerotti reiterated the public hearing of this ordinance will be held on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

Roll Call Vote: All Ayes

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Murray and seconded by Mr. Bartlett to adjourn the meeting at 7:20 p.m. Vote: All Ayes

Respectfully Submitted,

Christine A. Gatti  
Deputy Township Clerk