

**HARDING TOWNSHIP
HARDING OPEN SPACE TRUST (HOST)
MUNICIPAL BUILDING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 12, 2022
21 BLUE MILL ROAD, NEW VERNON, NJ 07976**

REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES

OPEN MEETING:

Secretary Sharp opened the reorganization meeting of the Harding Open Space Trust Committee to order at 7:35 p.m. and announced the meeting is being held in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Mrs. Sharp welcomed and introduced Mr. DeNave to the Open Space Trust Committee. Secretary Sharp called the roll as follows:

HOST Attendance: Ms. Chipperson, Mr. DeNave, Mr. Jones, Mr. Novotny, Mr. Pfeiffer, and Ms. Somers

Excused Absence: Mr. Bjorkedal, Ms. Devine, and Mr. Weppler

Township Attendance: Mrs. Sharp, Secretary

Public Attendance: None

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN:

Chair:

Secretary Sharp opened the meeting to accept nominations for the office of Chair of HOST for 2022. Ms. Somers made a motion to nominate Mr. Pfeiffer for Chair of HOST and Mr. Novotny seconded the motion. Secretary Sharp asked if there were any further nominations for Chair. With no further nominations, Secretary Sharp closed the nominations with a motion made by Mr. Jones and seconded by Mr. Novotny. Upon a vote of all ayes none opposed the nominations for Chair were closed.

Secretary Sharp asked for a motion to accept Mr. Pfeiffer as Chair of HOST. Upon a motion to elect Mr. Pfeiffer as Chair of HOST by Mr. DeNave, seconded by Mr. Jones, and with a unanimous vote of all ayes, none opposed, Mr. Pfeiffer was accepted as Chair.

Vice Chair:

Mrs. Sharp asked for nominations for Vice Chair of HOST. Ms. Somers nominated Mr. Weppler as Vice Chairman, and Mr. Pfeiffer seconded the nomination. Secretary Sharp asked if there were any further nominations for Vice Chair. With no further nominations, Secretary Sharp closed the nominations with a motion made by Mr. Pfeiffer and seconded by Ms. Somers. Upon a vote of all ayes, none opposed, nominations for Vice Chair were closed.

Secretary Sharp asked for a motion to accept Mr. Weppler as Vice Chair of HOST. Upon a motion to elect Mr. Weppler as Vice Chair of HOST by Mr. DeNave, seconded by Mr. Jones, and with a unanimous vote of all ayes, none opposed, Mr. Weppler was accepted as Vice Chair.

Mrs. Sharp turned the meeting over to Mr. Pfeiffer, Chairman 7:42 pm.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Pfeiffer opened the meeting by announcing adequate notice of this January 12, 2022 HOST meeting was given in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE HOST MINUTES FOR: DECEMBER 8, 2021:

December 8, 2021 Minutes:

Mr. Pfeiffer asked if anyone had questions or comments with regard to the December 8, 2021 meeting minutes. Upon a motion made by Mr. Jones, seconded by Mr. Novotny, Mr. DeNave abstained, and with a vote of all ayes, none opposed, the December 8, 2021 amended meeting minutes were accepted.

HOST RESOLUTION #01-2022 – MEETING DATES:

Mr. Pfeiffer explained the meeting dates are currently the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm. Secretary Sharp asked if the members of HOST would like the meeting to commence at 7:00 pm or 7:30 pm. After a brief discussion, the consensus of HOST was to keep the meetings at 7:30 pm. Mr. Pfeiffer asked if there were any comments regarding the meeting dates. With no comments a motion was made by Ms. Somers and seconded by Mr. Jones to accept the meeting dates for the Open Space Trust Committee for 2022. With a roll call of all ayes, none opposed the meeting dates and set start time for 7:30 pm for 2022 was accepted. A copy of the Meeting Dates is appended to these minutes.

HOST UPDATES:

Appleton #2

Mr. Jones reported that Mrs. Appleton's Counsel has not returned the Contract of Sale to Mr. Roselli, Township Attorney. Mr. Roselli is working with the Realtor with regard to the return of the Contract of Sale. Mr. Pfeiffer mentioned if anyone is interested in walking the Appleton #1 property should try to do it when there is some snow on the ground to see some history on the property.

Glen Alpin

Mr. Jones reported that the two entrepreneurs will present their plans to Township Committee around February 28th or March 1st.

Mr. Pfeiffer asked what the constraints of the building are. Mr. Jones commented on the followings:

- Four acres has been diverted and disposed of.
- Driveway in the back and the back kitchen – possible renovation.
- Easement is being perfected.
- Parking will be in the back of the property.
- Concerns with regards to the Murals.
- Conservatory – may be kept.

Other Matters:

Mr. DeNave commented he asked the Municipal Clerk what are the properties HOST is responsible for and asked HOST what is the purpose of HOST. Mr. Jones explained the role of HOST is to identify Open Space that can be acquired and that the Open Space that the Township has is being stewarded and adhered to. Mr. DeNave mentioned he would like to link a map on the Open Space website that shows where all the Open Space properties are and asked if there was such a map. Mr. Pfeiffer and Ms. Somers responded there was a map that was done several years ago that has pictures of the properties with their locations. Mr. Fox, Township Engineer may have this map. Mr. Novotny commented that HOST is responsible for the maintenance of their properties and HOST looks at how properties can be connected for trails, etc.

Mr. Novotny commented that he did a liaison report to the Environmental Commission and mentioned Margetts field and the discussions HOST was having regarding the field. Mr. Novotny mentioned the Environmental Committee commented if the field went natural that would be okay. Mrs. Sharp commented if HOST would like to have Mr. Johnston come in and conduct a presentation for HOST. The consensus of HOST was to have Mr. Johnston come in and do a presentation on Margetts Field for February.

New Business:

New Business – Mr. Jones commented that HOST should review the HOST wish list for possible properties to acquire. A discussion ensued regarding properties.

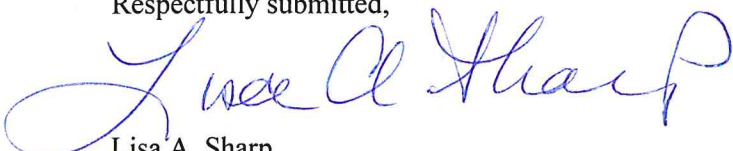
OTHER MATTERS THAT MAY COME BEFORE HOST AND HEARING PERSONS PRESENT:

There were no hearing persons present.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Jones and Mr. Novoty. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa A. Sharp
Secretary, Harding Open Space Trust Committee

RESOLUTION #01-2022
HARDING OPEN SPACE TRUST (HOST) COMMITTEE
TOWNSHIP OF HARDING, MORRIS COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
JANUARY 12, 2022
MEETING SCHEDULE
OF THE HARDING TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE TRUST COMMITTEE
FOR JANUARY 2022 THROUGH JANUARY 2023

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Harding Township Open Space Trust (HOST) Committee of the Township of Harding in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, that public meetings of the HOST Committee shall be held In-Person and by GoToMeeting due to the COVID-19 Pandemic during 2021 at Kirby Hall, Blue Mill Road in New Vernon in said Township at 7:30 p.m. as follows:


February 9	July 13
March 9	August 10
April 13	September 14
May 11	October 12
June 8	November 9
	December 14
	January 11, 2023 - Reorganization

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the above schedule and any revision thereof shall be posted on the bulletin board in Kirby Hall and mailed to the Observer Tribune and the Daily Record, and upon prepayment of mailing and processing costs, to all persons requesting copies of such schedule or any revision thereof.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the meetings shall be conducted in accordance with *Roberts Rules of Order*.

DATED: January 12, 2022

I, Lisa A. Sharp, HOST Secretary of the Open Space Trust Committee of the Township of Harding, County of Morris, State of New Jersey, do hereby certify the foregoing resolution to be a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the HOST Committee at the reorganization meeting held on January 12, 2022.



Lisa A. Sharp
HOST Secretary