

WARRINGTON OPEN SPACE AND LAND PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

August, 2022 Minutes

- **Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance:** Ivy Ross, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at approximately 7:34 pm. Ms. Ross led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Attending at the Hybrid meeting were:

Ivy Ross, Chairperson	Ruth Schemm, Board of	Sharon Kaszon
Bill Connolly, Vice Chair	Supervisors Liaison	Mike Diorka
Kathy Newcomb, Secretary	Barbara Brown	ZijunXu
	Fred Suffian	

- **Public Comment:** None.

- **Business:**

- a) **Natural Lands Master Plan Final Presentation - BOS**

Rick Trailes of Natural Lands presented the plan to the BOS at the August 9, 2022 meeting. Chair will circulate the plan to all members. Various members commented on the plan. A suggestion was made that we could prorogate our own trees.

- b) **Friends of Warrington Open Spaces**

A volunteer friends group was discussed. Could possibly be 501c3. This could open other avenues for fund raising. Fred Suffian suggested Karen Ogden, with county conservation, as a resource. She will be attending Warrington Day. Chair mentioned a family that would like to volunteer to manage pollinators.

- c) **Final List of Open Space Parcels and Map**

Chair sent out list of Township open space parcels. Total acreage at this point is 1390.7 acres. This includes Bradford Dam and the wetland mitigation area. Future open space calculations could include privately owned open space and future donations from Grove Valley, Emerson Farm and Laurel Garden. A map will be on display for Warrington Day.

- d) **Discussion of Yard Waste Site at Weisel Preserve**

The township has decided to close the site due to abuse of the site and the demands placed on township personnel.

- e) **Warrington Day and F.I.S.H. project**

\$5,000 grant has been secured which runs for 18 months. Township will partner with Penn State Extension and Bucks County. Three events are planned: the sale of plugs at Warrington Day; an educational session at Mill Creek preserve; and planting stakes for stream stabilization in March.

- f) **Trail Beacon App. Information**

20 waterproof beacons have been purchased. Aaron Mulder will be setting up.

- g) **Climate Plan Update**

Fred Suffian updated. Township will be partnering with a university to implement the plan at no cost to the township. A draft of the plan will be available for Warrington Day. Taking the plan to the next level was discussed.

- h) **Link Article Ideas**

Sharon will work on something.

- **Adjournment.** Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:18 pm.