

West Pikeland Land Trust

West Pikeland Land Trust

MEETING MINUTES

May 20, 2009

Attendance: Richard Bright (BOS appointee), Curt Grogan, Ted Gacomis, Mike Groman, Lisa Lacroix, Melinda Mercurio, Kim O'Rourke, Jim Rowan, Meade Rudasill, Teresa Wood and Tom Williams

Absent: Tim Tietze

Guests: Jean and Charles Humphreys, and Eileen Juico

1. Anyone Wishing to be Heard

Humphreys expressed concern over water issues with their pond as a result of the construction of new soccer fields in Pine Creek Park.

Eileen Juico requested that WPLT be co-applicants for a West Vincent Township grant for technical assistance to communities affected by pipeline projects. Jim motioned to approve, Lisa seconded and the Board unanimously approved.

In connection with the grant, (1) Jim will follow up getting the D&B number, (2) Melinda will draft a letter regarding our statement of contribution, and (3) Meade will draft a letter of support to be signed by the BOS.

2. Minutes of Meeting

Minutes of the previous Board of Directors Meeting held on April 27, 2009 were reviewed. Lisa motioned to approve, Ted seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Committee Reports

Accounting & Financial Update

Teresa reported that the Open Space revenue collection for the period of January through April 2009 provided a net of \$223,000 after expenses. She further reported that funds were collected in May for April tax filings and is expecting an updated report by next meeting. Teresa requested a summary from Steve Ross or Joan Cox of all earned tax revenues collected specific to the Open Space referendum to determine what our future run rate will be. An update regarding the checking account balances for Open Space will be provided at our next meeting. Plant sale grossed \$479.

Open Space Advisory Subcommittee (Non-Landowner specific): No report was given.

WPT Park & Recreation Trails Subcommittee: Lisa reported that the NFCCC provided a fact sheet on their plan is available and it was suggested that it will be posted on the WPLT website once updated.

Lisa reported that the \$5,000 DCNR grant would require additional information.

Communication: No report was given.

Monitoring and Stewardship: No report was given.

Development: No report was given.

Grants: No report was given.

Education: Mike reported that Jason Lubar provided a quote of \$11,000 regarding a tree and park management plan. Mike will follow up with Jason Lubar with specific questions.

Strategic Planning: Meade indicated the WPLT would be meeting on June 27th to begin the strategic planning process with Suzanne Kaplan as the facilitator.

Governance and Compliance: No report was given.

General and Administrative: Curt reported a copy of the original Articles of Incorporation of Land Trust were provided by Gesa Sklaroff.

Volunteer Coordination: Kim suggested that handwritten thank-you notes be sent to volunteers. Kim will follow up with Curt.

4. Other Matters

Nominations to the Board: The nominations of Meade Rudasill and Kim O'Rourke as WPLT Board members was approved by the BOS

Kim motioned to close the meeting and Meade seconded.

The next scheduled meeting will be on June 22, 2009 at 7:00 pm at the Township Building

Respectfully submitted

Kim O'Rourke
May 21, 2009