

**Readington Township Open Space Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

August 4, 2021

Present:

MEMBER	JAN 6	FEB 3	MAR 3	APR 7	MAY 5	JUN 2	AUG 4	SEP 1	OCT 6	NOV 3
Mr. Huelsebusch, Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Mrs. Allen, Vice Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Dr. Hendrickson	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Mr. John	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Dr. Kelly	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Mrs. Madon		X	X		X	X	X			
Mr. Mueller	X	X	X	X			X			
Mr. Orlandi	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Mrs. Owen	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Mr. Bola, 1st Alternate	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Mr. Klotz, 2nd Alternate	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Jerry Cook, David Owen, Jake Spooner. Deputy Mayor Jonathan Heller.

Chairman Huelsebusch called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm announcing all laws governing the Open Public Meetings Act have been met and that this meeting has been duly advertised.

COMMUNITY:

- 1) **Website:** Mr. Klotz reported no postings on the website since the last meeting.
- 2) **Communications / Meeting Calendar / Event Updates:** Mrs. Allen reported that there was no open space hike in July. It was agreed that the next hike would be scheduled

for 8/15 at Whitehouse Greenway, and the next will be September 19 on Pleasant Run Greenway Trails.

3) Trails & Volunteer Session Updates: Mr. Klotz noted that there were no scheduled volunteer sessions this period.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The June 2, 2021, meeting minutes were approved as presented, Ayes all, Nays none.

CORRESPONDENCE: An email received by the OSAB chair from Hunterdon County Parks stating that a citizen brought in fencing that he claimed a fawn had become entangled in, presumably from the deer enclosure at the top of Round Mountain, was discussed. It was decided to remove the structure and try to salvage some of the materials for future use.

REPORTS:

1) Farmland Preservation/Green Acres: Mrs. Allen updated the Board on the current status of applications and expected closings.

2) Hunterdon County Parks & Open Space Advisory Committee Update: Chairman Huelsebusch attended the July meeting and reported on developments.

3) Environmental Commission Updates: Dr. Hendrickson updated the Board on developments in the EC.

4) Readington River Watch Updates: No updates.

5) Readington Township Updates: Chairman Huelsebusch reported on developments.

OLD AND ONGOING BUSINESS:

1) OSAB Trails Subcommittee Updates: Mr. Klotz gave an update on the mowing and maintenance of the trails. Chairman Huelsebusch showed the new trails map on the website, updated on August 9, 2021. He also recommended that we work to get volunteers to adopt specific trails for upkeep.

2) OSAB Stewardship Updates: Chairman Huelsebusch advised the Board that the Township Committee has approved hiring a part-time Stewardship Coordinator. He urged members to think about the tasks that should be assigned to the person.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business was discussed.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD: None.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandra Madon