

TOWNSHIP OF LONG HILL
OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES 11/5/18

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 p.m. by Peter J. O'Neill in the Large Conference Room.

The salute of the American Flag took place in the Public Meeting Room.

Members present were: Peter J. O'Neill, Joanna Askey, George Armenti, Frank Alansky and Rich Pfluger.

Minutes of the September meeting were approved unanimously by members.

1. The Vision Committee has been unable to meet so there is no update.
2. Parkland consolidation is still on hold while the cleanup progresses.
3. Rich has volunteered to mark out a trail through Central Park.
4. Discussion of Township flooding problems which are exacerbated by clogged pipes and blocked drainage ditches. There should be a focus on clearing out ditches and culverts in conjunction with the development of Township parkland to improve drainage and reduce flooding.
5. Discussion of open space on Ave Maria Court which was originally intended as a canoe launch when it was acquired decades ago.
6. Chairman O'Neill and Rich had a productive meeting with the Township Engineer:
 - a. The Engineer will draw up a plan for a basic canoe launch and provide some information on material/costs.
 - b. He will contact a company that does aerial surveying work which would locate Passaic River snags. The company also has information on grants and funding for desnagging work. The suggestion is to identify which snags would open up the longest lengths of unobstructed river and start with those.
7. The Long Hill Historical Society might be able to provide some helpful information on the historic layout of Railroad Avenue.
8. Discussion of Central Park project financing.
9. Meeting ended at 8:50 p.m. upon motion to adjourn which was unanimously approved. Next meeting will be held on December 3, 2018 in the Large Conference Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Joanna L. Askey