

**HILLTOWN TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE
REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING**

March 7, 2006

7:30 p.m.

Call to Order: The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hilltown Township Open Space Committee meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jeff Lapp at 7:30 p.m. Also present were Open Space Committee members Donna DiMella, Charlie Moyer, Joe Salvadore, and Jeanne Scanlon; and Township Manager Ken Bennington.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes from the February 7, 2006 Open Space Committee meeting were reviewed and approved.

Resolution 2006-01: Jeff distributed a resolution containing terms to be offered to a property owner on Rickert Road.

Committee Vacancy: Jeff reported that the Supervisors received one application for the Open Space Committee vacancy before the closing date.

Outreach: Ken asked for an email version of the letter that was drafted by the Committee and addressed to Hilltown residents owning 10+ acres, regarding alternatives to development for raising cash or settling estates. Jeff said the Committee should also begin making preparation for a forum in the fall.

New Subdivision Application: Three sketch plans came in for the Bennett property at Keystone and Fairhill, to be developed by Orleans. The Committee's recommendation is attached.

Open Space Plan Update: Jeff assigned Committee members to work on updating the 1998 Open Space Plan. Although any member is welcome to comment on any item, each member will have primary responsibility for researching a particular topic to be discussed at the next meeting:

- Small Parcel Open Space Issues (unique aspects) - Joe
- Open Space Targeting - Jeanne
- Committee Roles for Major Subdivisions with Open Space - Jeff
- Updating of the Open Space Plan Rating System - Donna/Sandy
- Fee Simple Purchase of Properties - Charlie
- Subdivision incentives for Open Space - Jeff

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:52 p.m.