

June 21, 2016

The June 21, 2016 meeting of the Mansfield Township Open Space Committee was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chair Andy Parke, followed by a pledge of allegiance to the flag. Present were Andy Parke, Carren Thomas, Richard Rosenblum, Matthew Wielgus as well as Township Committeemen Joseph Watters and Michael Misertino. Brad Smith was excused. In the audience were Glenn Todd, Roberta Kugelmeyer, James Watters and Stan Zebrowski.

Minutes

- Joe Watters noted in the first paragraph under Master Plan that approval had been given to the owner of the Post Office property for inclusion of a deli; however, the owner never moved forward.
- Moved by Ms. Thomas to accept and approve the minutes of March 15, 2016, as amended, seconded by Mr. Rosenblum; all in favor

Mt. Bethel Church

- Repairs to the roof were almost done last Thursday; the ceiling will be done next. The ceiling is to be dropped, insulated, and a new ceiling will be installed.
- The ongoing grounds cleanup has improved the view constantly. The burial site of the known slave has been located in the rear of the cemetery; that burial site is next to a large stone.
- The architect has put together a grant application that will include some of the items discussed at the March meeting (mold remediation, electric, HVAC, duct cleaning). The architect will do the presentation to the Municipal and Charitable Conservancy Trust Fund Committee for the grant application; no date has been set, possibly August or September.
- The outside of the building to be done as part of the next package includes drainage, windows, caulking. Access is through two doors upstairs and one opening to the basement; these must be handicap accessible. Also, fire requirements must be met.
- The septic system is an old cesspool, and there is inadequate space for a septic.
- Parking is to be considered as it is limited to the cemetery area. Part of the rear will be filled in to create more parking.
- Plans for a concert are continuing. Mr. Love wants to see the church and determine if it is a possible venue; he has set up a web page for the church.
- The IRS approval for the non-profit status has been received, no word yet from the state. Trustees have been named, but a list of officers is required. A Secretary and Treasurer are needed; Linda Watters will accept one of those positions. Also, a mission statement is needed. Joseph Watters will ask the Township Clerk or Tom Ferry or attorney Michael Lavery for assistance with the final state details.

Karrsville School House

1. The overhang at the doorway is to be removed for repairs and painting.

Other Business

Mr. Zebrowski commented this committee is working well and produces an atmosphere conducive to working together.

Motion to adjourn by Ms. Thomas at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Pante, Clerk

**Next meeting date:
July 19, 2016**