

Municipal Open Space Trust Fund Committee Agenda

Date: 3/10/2025

Time: 8:00 PM

1. Call to order
2. Approval of minutes:
 - a. 2/10/2024 (page 3)
3. Old Business
 - a. PSE&G
 - b. Park updates
4. New Business
 - a. Project proposals?
 - b. Fields Advisory Board recommendation to council
5. Historical Commission: Mr. Cohen
6. Environmental Commission: Mr. Gillers.
7. PPRAB: Ms. Klein
8. Township Engineer: Mrs Gilani
9. Superintendent of Recreation: Ms. Crockett
10. Council Liaison: Ms. Goldberg
11. Good and Welfare

Adjournment

Teaneck GroupB is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: MOST

Time: Mar 10, 2025 08:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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*****2/10/2025 Minutes for approval*****

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Date: 2/10/2025, Avi Berliner, Jonathan Cohen, Hillary Goldberg, Farah Gilani.

Time: 8:00 PM

1. Call to order **@ 8:01pm**
2. Approval of minutes:
 - a. 12/17/2024 (page 5) - **Approved**
3. Old Business
 - a. PSEG funds - **Remain in an interest bearing account**
 - b. THPC - **Considering MOST funds for historic home disaster assistance**
 - c. Argonne Park - **Avi suggested EC consider ideas and the NJDEP Green Acres “Stewardship” Program**
4. New Business
 - a. Membership Update (as of council meeting 1/28/2025) :
 - i. Welcome Libby Klein - PPRAB representative
 - ii. Welcome Jonathan Cohen - THPC representative
 - iii. Yosef Gillers reappointed
 - iv. Avi Berliner reappointed (chair)
 - b. Master Plan approved by the planning board
 - c. Fields Advisory Board
 - i. **Working with member sports organizations on recommendation to council for a multi use field in Votee Field**
 - d. Ordinance No. 9-2025 - 1084 Queen Anne Road introduced 1/28/2025
 - i. **Adjacent to Votee Park and the Rodda Center**
 - ii. **Has been off and on the market the last couple of years**
 - iii. **Available at Sheriff's sale**
 - iv. **Ordinance allows acquisition by eminent domain (***does not mean it will)**
 - e. Green acres applications submitted:
 - i. Jake's Law (inclusive playground) at Votee Park
 - ii. Argonne Park improvements
 1. **Splash Pad and bathroom**

5. Historical Commission: Mr. Cohen - **See old business discussion above**
6. Environmental Commission: Mr. Gillers - **Working on composting program**
7. PPRAB: Ms. Klein
8. Township Engineer: Mrs. Gilani -
 - a. **Votee park restroom installed**
 - b. **Herrick park improvements slowed due to weather but splash pad and bathroom installed along with sewer and water connections; electrical pending**
 - c. **Argonne Park improvements design complete to go out to bid**
 - d. **Phelps Park splash pad initial design complete working on final design**
 - e. **Sagamore Park**
 - i. **Environmental study completed, submitted to DEP and approved.**
 - ii. **Received DEP matching fund grant of \$750k**
 - iii. **Working on preliminary plans**
9. Superintendent of Recreation: Mr. Powers
 - a. **Contract for Andreas Park Pickleball courts awarded for 4 courts. Plan to start work 2/24**
10. Council Liaison: Ms. Goldberg
 - a. **Upcoming council meeting agenda includes: ordinance 9-2025, township taking over swim club, and putting swim club property back on ROSI**
11. Good and Welfare
12. Adjournment @ 8:36

12/17/2024 Minutes for approval

Municipal Open Space Trust Fund Committee Agenda

Date: 12/17/2024

Time: 8:00 PM

Attendees: Avi Berliner (Chair), Dr. Michael Norris (THPC), Sean Powers (Recreation), Hildy Dillon, (EC), Hillary Goldberg (Council Liaison), Reshma Khan

Guests: B. Orr, C. Powers

1. Call to order @ 8:00pm
2. Approval of minutes:
 - a. 9/11/2024 (approved)
3. Old Business
 - a. MOST referendum
 - i. Passed with overwhelming majority
 - b. PSEG
 - i. Still held up but in an interest bearing account
 - c. Park updates
 - i. Herrick moving forward
 - ii. Andreas - pickleball delayed
 - iii. Argonne: improvements
 1. Hildy dillon: trash and refuse at argonne how to clean up
 - a. Hillary to work with township manager and DPW
4. New Business
 - a. Project proposals?
 - i. Provide proposals for 2025 budget
 - b. Thank you to Glenna and Lisa
5. Historical Commission: Dr. Norris
 - a. Considering proposal and recommendations to use MOST funds for home on the State and / or national historic register (7 in Teaneck with private ownership)
 - b. For use if a disaster occurs and would assist homeowners to restore (e.g, hurricane)
 - c. Recommendations will be made to council who will decide if when to use MOST funds for this purpose

- d. Commissioner Jonathan Cohen to represent THPC in MOST
- 6. Environmental Commission: Ms. Dillon
 - a. Concerns about Argonne Park and how to clean up and “reach potential”
 - b. This about redesigning and explore potential
 - c. Consider new design, development, and upkeep
 - d. Discuss within EC and make recommendation to MOST and PPRAB for further discussion
 - e. Councilwoman Goldberg to discuss with Township Manager
 - f. Dr. Norris suggested a formal periodic survey of parks and open space to understand areas of need and potential projects.
 - g. Sean: Prior township manager wanted to kickoff program to replace park signs
- 7. PPRAB: Avi Berliner
 - a. PPRAB working through park review to identify punch list and pocket parks
 - b. Will bring Argonne Park feedback and request to think about improvements
- 8. Township Engineer: Mrs Gilani
 - a. Herrick Park (to be completed in the spring)
 - i. prefab playground arrived
 - ii. baseball field and basketball court
 - iii. Children’s playground
 - b. Votee Park
 - i. prefab bathroom arriving
 - ii. tennis court lights complete
 - iii. shed and shelter complete
- 9. Superintendent of Recreation: Sean Powers
 - a. Capital items to be included in budget proposal
 - i. Water fountains in parks (including ADA slab and pathway)
 - ii. Hart park drainage repair
 - iii. Playground equipment replacement where needed
- 10. Council Liaison: Ms. Goldberg
 - a. Budget season coming
- 11. Good and Welfare
- 12. Adjournment @ 8:45