



Business Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 9, 2016
7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Bean Road Nursery

1. Agenda preview
2. Review meeting minutes of October 12th and approve meeting minutes of September 14th.
A motion was made and a second to pass both meeting minutes from September 14th and October 12th 2016.
3. Financial Report – was tabled for November meeting and will be provided at the January 11, 2017 meeting.
4. Executive Committee – The Executive Committee did not have any recent updates.
5. Current Issues and Updates
 - Center Square Golf Course – Jim Phelan provided an update on the golf course neighbors' appeal and provided attorney updates on briefings filed. It is going to a Commonwealth court and will be heard by a panel of 3 judges. The arguments can be heard for 45-60 days and a final decision could take 6 months to another year.
 - FOW Board and members attending meeting discussed support of the WARG's efforts to uphold current zoning for Center Square Golf Club area. FOW Board Members made a motion, and a second, and approved a \$1,000 contribution towards this. Motion passed unanimously.
 - Center Point Village Planning – The group discussed recent Center Point Planning updates and it was unanimous that the group does not like the "proposed" ordinance due to high density and larger retail buildings being proposed.
 - Proposed development plans – The group/sub-group will work on what statement we wish to further prepare.
 - Whitehall Estates – this was NOT slated in the Township's current Act 537 sewer plan.
 - Framing of sewer vs. septic – follow up articles and the approach we want to take
6. Education & Outreach – Wini Hayes
 - Business Sponsorship Program – Look at sponsors and review plan. This was tabled until the January 11, 2017 meeting in Stuart's absence. We will discuss advertisers for newsletter, Arbor Day, Horse Show, and Business Sponsorship tracking spreadsheet/software that Stuart has been researching.
 - Re-design and re-print our tri-folds – We are looking at re-doing our brochures and will be checking on original design. Barb and Michelle will be looking into the original brochure file to see where it exists.
 - Arbor Day Outreach Volunteer Needed – Michelle will need someone else to step up this year for Arbor Day as she has other commitments in the Spring, during the time Worcester Elementary can do Arbor Day. Michelle will assist in ordering trees and bags, just not the Environmental Club tree preparation or the actual school presentations on the scheduled Arbor Day. Tentatively scheduled for mid to end of May 2017.
 - Fall newsletter – assignment of articles, tasks – Fall newsletter was sent out for final feedback, before being sent to the printer.
 - Preparation for Christmas Potluck – Michelle to send Wini the current FOW Membership list for Christmas Potluck preparation.
7. Worcester Land Preservation Fund – There are currently no updates with the Worcester Land Preservation Fund.
8. Social Media Updates – No current updates.
9. Township Reports
 - Zoning Meeting – October 25th meeting was not held, no updates.

- Planning Commission Meeting – Discuss Center Point Village Planning and Palmer Property Sketch Plan – The group discussed the current “draft” plan. There is HIGH density housing being proposed on the “draft” plan along with gas pump bays and canopies and a drugstore. The group unanimously oppose the current “draft” plan and wonder What’s the Rush to hurry and pass a new zoning ordinance that would have to be passed to allow this to happen.

10. Open floor – (New Business) - We should include Open Space money into 2017 importance and talk about our top 10 land priorities.

Future Meetings:

2017 Meetings – Jan. 11th, Feb. 8th, March 8th, April 5th, May 10th