



**Business Meeting Minutes**  
**Wednesday, September 14, 2016**  
**7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. at Bean Road Nursery**

1. Agenda preview
2. Review meeting minutes of May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2016 – A motion made and second to approve meeting minutes of May, 11, 2016.
3. Financial Report – Barb provided YTD financials.
4. Executive Committee – There was no executive meeting update as the Board did not meet over the summer break.
5. Current Issues
  - Center Point Planning Updates – The “draft” plan is tentatively scheduled to be presented at the October Supervisor’s Meeting on Wed, October, 19<sup>th</sup> at Fairview Village Township Building. The Montgomery County Planning Commission has updated their draft again to be re-sent to Worcester Planning Commission before it will be presented to the Worcester Supervisors.
  - Whitehall/Stony Creek Estates – sewer expansion could possibly be impacting parts of open space, wildlife, and neighbor quality of life in the Stony Creek neighborhood. Friends of Worcester discussed including an article in a newsletter about the pros and cons of sewer vs. septic and the possible impacts on open space.
6. Education & Outreach – Wini Hayes
  - Scott Berman from Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association will be discussing some vulnerable open spaces areas throughout Montgomery County that includes Worcester. Scott is working as an open space policy intern at the WVWA and has been researching Montgomery County open space preservation with a focus on the different townships around the WVWA. There are some 15 townships around the watershed area and Scott is working on a full inventory of these remaining open space areas and wants the input of Friends of Worcester. The WVWA has money for the easements and outright land preservation (less money in this area). The WVWA wants to work in conjunction with FOW on areas that provide great value to both partners.
  - Trail Maps – Jim is going to set up a meeting with Bourne Graphics to work on development of a trail map.
  - Fall Newsletter – We discussed possible articles for the fall newsletter and assigned them to individuals. Michelle will send the breakout of deadlines and who is writing what article to the group. We will need to schedule a work session or two for this fall newsletter.
  - Updated Responsive Website – Barb provided an update on the responsive website and asked everyone to review it and provide any feedback to us.
  - Business Sponsorship Program – Stuart will re-send the list to us and we should contact our 3 initial businesses.
7. Worcester Land Preservation Fund – Wini provided update that the trail expansion initiatives need more support from Montgomery County. Scott Berman from WVWA said he should be able to talk more with the Montgomery County Commissioners and Michael Stokes about some of these trail connections.
8. Social Media Updates – Lisa Kantrowitz was absent and no updates were provided.

## 9. Township Reports

- Supervisors and Zoning Meeting – While there weren't any pressing Worcester zoning issues, there is a possible issue with our E. Norriton neighbors. The possible development of some land into another over 55 community, next to Gill Quarry, could cause problematic traffic intersections with an entrance and an exit onto Worcester roads.
- Planning Commission Meeting – Michelle provided an update on the Center Point Village zoning (draft) revision that was reviewed at the last meeting and had been sent out to the Board Members for their review. The Palmer Family will be providing their own architectural rendering of what they would like to happen, tentatively scheduled at the October Supervisors meeting.

10. Open floor – (New Business) Christmas Potluck Dates discussed, will be Tuesday, December 27<sup>th</sup>, at 6:00 p.m.

### **Future Meetings and Events:**

**Remaining 2016 Meetings - October 12<sup>th</sup>, November 9<sup>th</sup>**

**December Potluck – Tuesday night, December 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 p.m.**

**2017 Meetings – Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup>, May 10<sup>th</sup>**