

Andover Township  
**Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes**  
June 22, 2010

Chairperson Carla Kostelnik opened the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

The Chair led the flag salute, read aloud the OPMA statement, and the secretary conducted roll call.

Present were OSC members Ed Burgio, Diane Gillespie, Marc Gore, Carla Kostelnik, and alternates Laura Gilsonan and Karl Krummel. Committee member Christine Kretzmer arrived late. Also present was Angela Thies, OSC secretary. Michael Lensak was excused absent; absent was Debbie Danielson.

Approval of the Minutes of March 23, April 27, and May 25: The minutes of March 23 were accepted as written on a motion from Ed Burgio, seconded by Diane Gillespie and approved by all. The minutes of April 27 were approved and a motion by Karl Krummel, seconded by Laura Gilsonan, with all in favor and so carried. Diane Gillespie motioned to approve the minutes of May 25, seconded by Laura Gilsonan, all in favor, motion carried.

Adoption of Agenda: A motion was made by Laura Gilsonan to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Karl Krummel, all in favor, motion carried.

Open to the Public: The chair opened the meeting to the public. There were no members of the public present.

Improvements to Lake Iliff Access: Members were reminded to meet on Sunday, June 27 to remove invasive species, mainly overgrown bushes and flora from the Lake Iliff site. An invitation was made to Recreation Committee members to help as well. Trimming with hand saws is permitted, but members were reminded that any gas powered equipment is prohibited on wetlands. It was suggested that members make record of any native species on the 27<sup>th</sup> so that signs could be posted in the future identifying the flora/foilage. A memo from Township Engineer Joe Golden gave permission for new gravel to be distributed for the drive/parking area. The memo also stated that a wetlands permit was applied for; any docking would fall within the purview of said permit. The committee, however, has agreed to table any ideas to construct docking, because it is estimated that to be effective the dock would have to extend 75-80 feet from the shore, proving too costly. Additionally, a conversation would be needed between the committee and the township attorney to discuss liability issues.

It was noted again that the OSC may be able to employ the use of Eagle Scouts to construct benches on the site, using natural materials. Thought was given to the Scouts also assisting with the creation of signage to identify plant species, waste policies (e.g., carry in, carry out), parking, etc.

The chair asked members to give thought to a dedication of the Lake Iliff site in the fall.

Miscellaneous Other: Chair Kostelnik mentioned that the railroad bed is going through Howell's Pond, the right of way recently having been deeded to Andover Township. Andover's trail improvements are currently on-hold, however – progressed impeded by the presence of several small trees, the species of which needs to be confirmed prior to granting permission for their removal.

Executive Session: Laura Gilsenan motioned to enter into executive session at 8:18 p.m., seconded by Diane Gillespie, all in favor and so moved. Executive session was being convened for the purpose of discussing contracts and land acquisition opportunities.

The committee came out of executive session at 8:56 p.m. on a motion from Laura Gilsenan, seconded by Diane Gillespie, all in favor and so carried.

New Business: None.

Adjournment: Ed Burgio motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:57 p.m., seconded by Karl Krummel, and unanimously agreed, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Angela Thies  
Secretary, Open Space Committee