

FRIENDS OF WORCESTER
MARCH 12, 2002 - MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Kim David, Charley Muir, Kim McClintock, Mike Vattimo, Kathleen Snee, Patty Loughridge, Wini & Rob Hayes, Dave Cardy, Jeannie Steigerwalt, Marie Amato & Barbara McMonagle

Location: Kim & Chris David, 1704 Berks Road, Norristown, PA

Agenda Preview

FOW Committee Reports:

Treasurer's Report: Balance as of 2/28/02 \$2667.06.

President's Report: No Report

Membership Report: We are very glad to see new members coming to our meeting. An article in our last newsletter "Where is Everybody?" prompted several people to attend.

Fundraising Report: We will be doing the food booth at the Farmers Union Horse Show on June 1, 2002. We will also have our annual raffle and face painting.

Worcester Township Meeting Reports:

Board of Supervisors: Approved three subdivisions. 1) American Infrastructure -Age Restricted Community at North Wales & Township Line Road 2) Cedar Hill LP Skippack Pike 3) Brunner Tract. Also, the township will be hiring a part time Park Director.

Zoning Board: Frog Hollow Racket Club – continued to meeting 3/19/02. An office building proposed at Valley Forge Road & Hickory Hill Road was also continued to the 3/19 meeting. Methacton School District needs a variance to construct a chain link fence around a new practice field at Kriebel Mill Road & Mill Road.

Planning Commission: Cedar Hill LP subdivision is approved and on the way to zoning. Thompson/Scott subdivision at Berks Road & Route 73 - Pat Sparango Builders has proposed 25 homes on 2 separate properties. The Planning Commission would like to see the historic homes on each property preserved. Also, there is concern regarding their sewage disposal system. One option is a spray irrigation system.

Joint Planning Commission/Board of Supervisors: The Planning Commission proposed a Historic Home Ordinance. Supervisors decided to work with the developers instead. *We need the supervisors to see how important this is!!! These building are irreplaceable.*

Future subdivisions need to have deed restrictions to prevent future additional subdivision. The Supervisors are reviewing the Worcester Comprehensive Plan to keep it up to date.

Open Space: 12 Acres of the Heebner Property are being preserved.

Current Issues

Kim David wrote a letter to our Supervisors regarding the proposed sewer line expansions. It is our understanding that this expansion will max out the pumping station. Any expansion will encourage growth.

The Thompson/Scott Subdivision by Pat Sparango Builders has been postponed until the April 17th Supervisors meeting.

Community Education

Republican Committeepersons: Rob Hayes has decided to run for Republican Committeeperson against Steve Quigley. Also, Wini Hayes has decided to run for Republican Committeeperson unopposed. The 8 committee people who represent our township recommend both the Supervisors and School Board nominees. THE FUTURE OF WORCESTER IS AT STAKE. PLEASE COME OUT AND VOTE ON MAY 21ST. SUPPORT ROB & WINI!!

Newsletter - Suggestions and assignments for our next newsletter were discussed.

A Township on the Verge of Change – Wini Hayes

Proposed Developments – Barb McMonagle

Working to Preserve Open Space with Adjacent Townships – Michael Libor

History of Farmers Union Horse Show – Jeannie Steigerwalt

Names of Roads/Related Stories – Jeannie Steigerwalt

Remembering Russell Place – Mike Vattimo

Ask FOW / Chatting with Charley? – Charley Muir/Marie Amato

FOW has contacted the Environmental Club at Methacton High School. Plans are underway to donate 5 trees for Earth Day.

Website – Visit of website: <http://www.friendsofworcester.org>.

Suggestions were made to improve our website. Add links to Worcester Township and Natural Lands Trust. Also, add History of Worcester, Map, Pictures, and Index.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Please Join Us By Attending Our Monthly Meetings or Events!

Meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30P.M.

April 9, 2002 - Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Home of Charley Muir, 1901 Whitehall Road,
610-584-8472

May 14, 2002 - Tuesday 7:30 P.M. Home of Wini & Rob Hayes, 3033 Fisher Road,
610-584-0371

June 1, 2002 - Saturday. Farmer's Union Horse Show, Heyser Field (Behind Fairview Village Community Hall, Fairview Village), For information contact Jeannie Steigerwalt
610-489-7904

September 7, 2002 – Saturday, FOW Picnic 3 P.M. Home of Wini & Rob Hayes, 3033 Fisher Road 610-584-0371 RAINDATE: September 8, 2002