

# Open Space Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Meeting Date: September 9, 2025

Present: Dey, Hess, Knell, Mayer, Roberts, Spinello; Absent: Gil, Gillespie, Matlack (resigned 08/25), Rich

1. **Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 7:11 by Mr. Mayer.
2. **Consideration of Minutes.** The minutes for July 2025 were tabled until the next meeting.
3. **Status Update: Trucksess:** The County was trying to purchase, but a developer has bought it and wants to subdivide for 26 septic properties.
4. **Status Update: Pearson:** There is an agreement to purchase the property using money from the Township, Green Acres, and the NJ Land Trust; the Trust has agreed to clean-up the property as it has been used as a dump for things like old tires.
5. **Status Update: DePaulo:** One lot has been sold but hasn't been built on and the new owners have it for sale; a 2<sup>nd</sup> lot is up for sale. There is a question about whether the lots are buildable because of wetlands, etc.
6. **Status Update: Chris Schaffer "Heat Trace Map":** A "heat map" that shows the usage of trails and open spaces is being developed; hope to have Chris talk to us next month.
7. **Status Update: List of Open Spaces Review:** We need to review and update the official list of township potential Open Spaces. In March 2025, the OSAC voted to add the Thomas Truxton property (730 Marne Highway) to our *Moorestown Township Potential Open Space Properties for Acquisition* list – has it been added?
8. **Status Update: New Signage for Open Space parcels:** As discussed at previous meetings, we need signage at many of the OS sites. We are working with STEM and would like to have a logo (perhaps have a contest to select the logo) that could be repeated on signs throughout the Township.
9. **Status Update: Letter to Open Space "Neighbors":** In April, Damian reported that there was no budget to send the Encroachment letter out; a suggestion was made that the letter could be put on the Township's website – has it been put on the website? Are any funds being allocated for a future mailing?
10. **New Business: Status of Open Space Advisory Committee:** The members of the Open Space Advisory Committee voted unanimously that we continue as a separate Committee as our mission is unique and valuable to the Township and citizens of Moorestown.
11. **Township Liaison Updates and Comments:** None.
12. **Public Comment:** None.
13. **Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:01 by Mr. Mayer. The next scheduled meeting is on October 14, 2025.