



**PATTON TOWNSHIP
CENTRE COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

**OPEN SPACE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE
MEETING AGENDA**

**January 12, 2023
Board Meeting Room
Municipal Building
5:00 PM**

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84008152625>

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Township Manager will call the meeting to order

2. INTRODUCTIONS

The Township Manager will facilitate introductions

Committee Members (Term)

Joe Vigilione (2022-24)	Kelli Prescott (2020-28)
Jim Savage (2020-24)	Heidi Miller (2022-28)
Lisa Pries (2020-26)	vacant (2022-26)
Ralph Mumma (2020-26)	

[all committee members are eligible to serve up to 2 full 6-year terms plus one partial term]

Board of Supervisors Liaison – Betsy Whitman (2018-2023)

Township Staff

Nicole Harter, Zoning Officer and Open Space Property Manager
Alexandra Castrechini, P.E., Township Engineer and Director of Engineering,
Planning, and Zoning (EPZ)
Doug Erickson, Township Manager

Consultants

Joe Wilson, Wilson Ecological Consulting, LLC
Katie Ombalski, Woods and Waters Consulting, LLC
Mike Wolf, Appalachian Forestry Consulting
Chris Sanders, Sanders Environmental (3rd Party Monitor of Haugh Preserve)

Partner Agencies and Representatives

Ryan Hamilton, Clearwater Conservancy
Pat Morse, Hamer Foundation
Centre Region Parks and Recreation (CRPR)
U.S Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)

3. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR 2023

Mr. Erickson will assist with the election of two committee members to be Chair and Vice-Chair for 2023. **The Chair will then lead the remainder of the meeting.**

In 2022, Ms. Lisa Pries served as Chair and Ms. Kelli Prescott served as Vice-Chair.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from the December 7, 2022 OSSC meeting are provided for review, potential edits, and approval

5. MEETING SCHEDULE FOR 2023

The Committee has traditionally met on the second Thursdays of every other month at 5 pm, but this can be revised to accommodate the committee members.

With the process of the Conservation Easement for the Haugh Family Preserve (HFP) and the Gray's Woods Preserve (GWP) and updates by consultants, The Open Space Property Manager suggests the Committee plan to meet monthly for 2023. If the 2nd Thursday is convenient then the following meeting calendar could be adopted (to also include first meeting of 2024):

February 9	August 10
March 9	September 14 (Fall Tour)
April 13	October 12
May 11 (Spring Tour)	November 9
June 8	December 14
July 13	January 11, 2024

The Committee should review the proposed dates and consider a motion to approve the meeting dates.

6. GARDEN RULES AND REGULATIONS AT COMMUNITY GARDENS

At the December 12, 2022 meeting, the Open Space Property Manager provided revised Garden Rules and Regulations, as they had not been updated since originating in 2014. Upon receiving suggestions from the Committee, the Open Space Property Manager has made revisions and is providing an updated draft. The highlighted items identify the items revised per comments. Also included is the revised Garden Plot Request form that has been modified to fit onto one page.

The Committee should review the documents and consider a motion to accept the revised Rules and Regulations and Garden Plot Request form.

7. REVIEW CONSERVATION EASEMENT FOR GRAY'S WOODS PRESERVE (GWP)

Ms. Katie Ombalski will provide and update to the Committee.

8. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

February Continue work on GWP Conversation Plan
 Review JWC study results
 Review preliminary work plan for 2023
 Propose use regulations for Seward Property

9. **ADJOURNMENT**