

I. OPENING

CALL TO ORDER: The Environmental Advisory Council meeting of Lower Saucon Township was called to order on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 7:00 P.M., at 3700 Old Philadelphia Pike, Bethlehem, PA, with Sandra Yerger, Chairman, presiding.

ROLL CALL:

Members: Chair, Sandra Yerger; Vice Chair, Tom Maxfield; Allan Johnson, Colin Guerra, Tom McCormick and Laura Ray. Ted Beardsley arrived at 7:10 PM.

Associate Members: Dru Germanoski & Glenn Kaye - Absent

Planner: Karen Mallo – Boucher & James – Absent

Hellertown Liaison: Terry Boos

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**The EAC members met at 6:30 PM over by the Native Plant Garden
to see the work Mary Anthony did on the garden for her Girl Scout Gold Award.**

II. OPEN SPACE SUB-COMMITTEE

**A. SUB-COMMITTEE ATTENDANCE AT THE AUGUST 10TH HELLERTOWN BOROUGH
AUTHORITY MEETING TO DISCUSS CONSERVATION EASEMENTS ON
AUTHORITY PROPERTY IN TOWNSHIP**

Mrs. Yerger said the Open Space Sub-Committee is scheduled to meet with the Hellertown Borough Authority tomorrow evening. There are maps that they can take to the meeting. Mr. McCormick, Allan Johnson and Ted Beardsley will be attending the meeting. Mrs. Yerger may come and try to attend the meeting.

Mr. Beardsley said he has questions on what is the direction we need to take with the Hellertown Borough Authority. Are we willing to pay them for an easement? Mrs. Yerger said she was thinking the same thought. Right now she's assuming they are an entity that is not paying taxes or minimal taxes on the property. For them to get a reduction in taxes is not a benefit for them from a public authority. She's pretty sure of that. Her question would be, what is the benefit to the water authority to preserve the property and it's the source water for Hellertown. As far as the legal costs, even though if we are willing to pick that up on our side, as we traditionally do, they are going to have costs on their side like lawyer reviews, and it's not going to be onerous, but still have costs associated. Mr. Beardsley said what is the benefit to them? The one benefit is it keeps them in business forever. Mrs. Yerger asked if there were deed restrictions on that property?

Mr. McCormick said he doesn't know that answer, but we should leave it to the Borough Authority to worry about what's in the best interest of the Borough Authority. Mrs. Yerger said are there things we are going to offer them? How much help can we give them? Mr. McCormick said the question is we contacted them because it's land they own in the Township. Mrs. Yerger said they are the largest landowner in Lower Saucon. Mr. McCormick said we came to them and said we'd like to preserve it. They said maybe, let's talk about it. Mrs. Yerger said it's a very preliminary discussion, but she thinks what you can explain to them is there's multiple ways to do this. She doesn't know what their financial situation is. They are the ones that are going to say to the Sub-Committee, what are their options and then you can say these are possible options and see what they are interested in. It's got to be really, really basic.

Mr. Beardsley said is there some way we can find out if there are deed restrictions? Mr. Maxfield said there are some that are there, as he heard them talked about. Part of the property was bought using recreation funds, and it's limited to recreation use, even though it's not being used that way now. If the Township agreed to pick up the cost of acquiring the easement, then for them, nothing would change except we'd gain as we'd know land in our Township would be preserved. However, it may limit their ability to sell chunks of the property, which they may have to do sometime in the future. That's why he was asking Laura Baird to go along as she's probably run into those sort of questions before. If you have a conservation easement on a piece of property and it limits what you can do on the property, if they wanted to sell to a developer, it would limit what the developer could do.

Mrs. Yerger said it doesn't preclude that they can't sell it, but it determines what they can and cannot do on it. Mr. Maxfield said could preclude a house going on it. Authorities usually buy other properties not just for the resources, but for an investment down the line. Even sometimes they'll buy a piece of property high as they think they may need a water tank in twenty years. We should be ready for those kinds of things. The important thing is it does not change their situation at all. If we don't cost them any money, then they are going to be more likely to do it. He would support the idea of acquiring the easement. The question is, can we use open space funds to pay. Since we used general funds so far to pay for appraisals, lawyers, all those kinds of things, can we use open space funds to acquire this easement? Mrs. Yerger said what if they want to be compensated for it? Mr. McCormick said you wouldn't say I'm going to pay for your lawyer costs. You'd say you are going to buy the conservation easement and you'd negotiate a price that was adequate for them to bear their own lawyer costs. That's how you use the open space funds. You'd say \$8,000.00, okay, we'll buy it for \$10,000.00. Mrs. Yerger said she would suggest you take an application along like you would for any other property owner that calls up and say here's the application, appreciate you letting us come and talk to you, and these are some of the preliminary questions you would have to answer and think about if you are interested. The options are bargain sale, etc., but she doesn't know if a bargain sale is a benefit to them as they don't pay taxes anyway.

Mr. Johnson said if we pay them any money, we have to have appraisals done and you know the problems we run into. Mr. Maxfield said what we'd be offering them would be far, far less. The legal costs are going to be much, much less than the actual value of the land. Mrs. Yerger said he's talking actual compensation for the conservation easements. Mr. Beardsley said if they said you can't develop this property anyway as it's restricted, then there's no value.

Mr. McCormick said we shouldn't be buying it if it's deed restricted. Mrs. Yerger said that was her question, what if they are already deed restricted. Mr. Beardsley said they will approach them and ask them that question. We're involved in protecting open space in the Township and we want to know if your property could ever be developed? Are there legal impediments? Mr. McCormick said we are going to get different answers. Mrs. Yerger said it may be applied to some, it may apply to all of them, we don't know what it applies to. Mr. Beardsley said at this point, we're just interested in preserving the open space and we want to know if they are interested and what restrictions are already on the property so we can start working with them. Mrs. Yerger said take an application along and show it to them, let them discuss it. You are going to be just gathering information. Mr. Beardsley said if there are deed restrictions, what are they? Mrs. Yerger said that's where you really have to start for now. Mrs. Yerger said if they come back to us and say okay, we're thinking about it, how do you want to handle it? Then we say the dialogue has to open with Laura Baird or Terry Clemons as there may be more complications as they are a public entity. Money shouldn't be discussed at all tomorrow night. We need to know if they are deed restricted, show them the application, are they interested, and potentially what could be some possible scenarios, with no dollar amounts involved at all. If you list the types of transactions that are possible, that's all you have to do. One is outright purchase, which we don't want to consider. One would be a bargain sale of easements, and there's an official thing on ways to preserve your land –

a landowner's guide. Take that guide and it lists the types of ways to preserve your property. It talks bargain sale, it talks acquisition, it talks conservation easements. Those are the things that are very generic.

Mr. Beardsley said we're not even talking about a conservation easement at this point. We're talking about protecting the property. If it's already protected, then fine. If it's not, what can we do next?

Mr. McCormick said he thinks they are likely to say, we have 22 pieces of land here, so we can get a feel for it. Are these pieces of land being actively used by the Authority or are they just held? Mrs. Yerger said it's considered their watershed protection area. Mr. McCormick said it's just vacant land. Mr. Johnson said some of the properties have homes on them that they rent out to people. Some of the property has springs on them where they get their water from so there are pipelines going from the springs down to Hellertown. Some of them are just trees where their recharge area is. There's the big area on Reservoir Road where they have parks and reservoir.

Mr. McCormick said it's exploratory and that's where we'll go.

Mr. Maxfield asked if they were comfortable going without Laura Baird? Mr. Beardsley said he's very comfortable in going without her as it's so preliminary. If they have questions, then we need Laura. Mrs. Yerger said this isn't going anywhere. It's not urgent. Mr. Johnson said if they want to pursue this after the meeting tomorrow night, then we can pursue it.

B. PROPERTY UPDATES

1. MAKOS-LENNER PROPERTY ON MARTIN'S LANE

Mr. Johnson said the Makos estate came into the Township and asked for a variance so they could extend the driveway so they could sell the property. We know the property has many natural resource items on it that should be preserved. He heard that the person that was interested in buying it, decided not to buy it. Therefore, the estate is probably looking for somebody to buy it, so he would suggest that the Township Council consider purchasing that piece of property using open space money.

Mrs. Yerger said Council, at this point, shouldn't approach. We don't have any official notification that they are not pursuing the purchase of the property. Her suggestion would be if the Makos family wants to contact the Township and request that they consider it, it has to come from the family or their representative. It may be listed again with somebody else. Mr. Beardsley said if it's listed with a real estate company, they can come and ask us. Mrs. Yerger said we need it to come from the other side or whoever is handling the estate. Mr. Johnson said the property that was bought from Long Ridge, did they approach us first? Mr. Maxfield said it was the bank. Mr. Beardsley said would you have a problem with Mr. Johnson calling them up and saying if you'd be interested in selling that lot, then get a hold of the EAC. Mrs. Yerger said she doesn't see a problem with that. Mr. Maxfield said the problem is we knew that somebody was interested. Chris Garges has their contact information. If we could substantiate that first, he'd have no problem with us saying it's a good buy, let's go after it.

Mr. McCormick said the recent meeting was we should be doing more outreaching, chasing properties. Council shouldn't do anything. It's up to the Sub-Committee or Mr. Johnson as a citizen. He can call them and ask them. All he has to do is ask them to send him an email and say you'd like to chat about this and that's what we'll do. We'll score it, get an application. Mr. Maxfield said our action so far has not put us in any jeopardy. Mrs. Yerger said that's the procedure that's been done in the past, and that's the way it

should stay. Mr. McCormick said Mr. Johnson is a citizen and he can do whatever he likes. This is our marketing. He's going to call him and email him. There's no possibility that's inappropriate. Mr. Johnson said it's the headwaters of the stream that flows down into Springfield Township. Mr. McCormick said the pond and the stream come right through and it's steep slopes. Mrs. Yerger said then by all means call them. Mr. Johnson said he will call them. Mr. Maxfield said he would think it's a good piece of property for the Township to acquire. Mrs. Yerger said if you need the contact information, she doesn't see a problem with getting it from Mr. Garges. Mr. Johnson said he will contact the Makos estate and suggest to them that the Township may be interested in purchasing the property. Mr. McCormick said no, ask them if they are interested in chatting about the open space efforts of the Township. As soon as we'd get an application, we could score it. Mr. Johnson said they wouldn't be interested in a conservation easement, as they want to sell the property. Mrs. Yerger said that's fine because it is of environmental importance to our neighboring municipality, the Township has full justification to pursue this as a purchase, in her opinion.

2. WHITETAIL BOWMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Yerger said last she heard, this was with Linc Treadwell and Laura Baird. They are in the final stages of some issues with moving the building envelope a little bit and having the language changed. The County was looking at it and they needed the language changed a little bit again. It's some minor tweaking back and forth between the County and the attorney, but we should be relatively close in closing the deal.

3. CHARLES MARTIN PROERTY

Mr. Johnson said Mr. Beardsley didn't have time to contact Mr. Martin, but he's promising to do it soon. He'd like to find out if Mr. Beardsley feels that Mr. Martin is interested in proceeding ahead, he thinks the Open Space Sub-Committee and the EAC should ask Laura Baird to get in contact with Mr. Martin and discuss it. Mrs. Yerger said there were some issues with his pipeline, some wetlands in the front, subdividing the property, and a problem with a gas line running through the property. There are issues with his property. Mr. Beardsley said he and Laura Baird had talked about contacting him together, and it just fell through the cracks for the second time.

Mr. Johnson said he recently spoke to Mr. Martin and he's wondering why he hasn't been contacted. Mrs. Yerger said part of it was he wanted to subdivide it and it wouldn't give him enough road frontage to have access for the easements. It was more complicated, and that's why she'd like to have Laura Baird take a really good look at it and get some verbal conversation from Mr. Martin on where he is and what he's comfortable with, and before we go through with an appraisal, he's not considering that need to subdivide, which would probably make his road frontage too small to have an easement road. Mr. Johnson said if Mr. Beardsley talks to Mr. Martin, he should get a feeling for the compensation Mr. Martin is looking for to see if he's realistic in our range. Mrs. Yerger said Laura Baird may be able to help you with that as she's doing properties close to Mr. Martin's right over in Springfield and she knows what comparable properties are appraising for now. It's no guarantee, but it will give him a ballpark figure on what to expect. Mr. Johnson said there are some things Mr. Martin wants to do with the property and he should discuss that with Laura Baird as it's going to affect how much property would be available for conservation. Mrs. Yerger said they will have to get that in writing before any kind of an appraisal is done with this property. Mr. Maxfield said he has to understand the more he wants to do, the less he's going to get.

Mrs. Yerger she'll make a motion.

MOTION BY: Mrs. Yerger moved to recommend that upon Mr. Beardsley's discussion with Mr. Charles Martin, if he indicates he's interested in pursuing a conservation easement on his property, the property that has been scored, the information should be reviewed by the Township Open Space Consultant, Laura Baird.

SECOND BY: Mr. Maxfield

ROLL CALL: 7-0

4. WASSERGASS PROPERTIES – SMITH-BUROFF, CARBER & MARSON

Mr. Beardsley said they didn't have a chance to talk about this amongst themselves yet. Mr. McCormick said he thought there was opportunity in Mr. Clemon's good analysis and the opportunity is to say the preferred path would be to have this considered as an entirety with Mr. Marson and Smith-Buroff with Mr. Marson understanding that it could possibly impact his net proceeds, but there's no obligation. As a fallback and it doesn't work, we'd proceed to simply preserve the front, which would work for our goals as well. He wasn't upset or disappointed at all. He wishes it was easier, but it's not, and there's a path forward. He thinks we should pursue that discussion with Mr. Marson first. Smith-Buroff will want to have it considered in its entirety, but their decision isn't the gating issue for us, it's Mr. Marson. Someone should talk to Mr. Marson and say would you like to consider having these appraised as an entirety and see what it comes back with. Mr. Beardsley said the person to do that is Terry Clemons. He's got the experience. Mrs. Yerger said okay. Mr. Beardsley said should we include the two other property owners if Mr. Clemons comes to talk to Mr. Marson and he says yes, okay, we don't have to wait for another meeting.

Mr. McCormick said does this have to go to Council as Mr. Clemons is going to charge us? Mr. Maxfield said his feeling is he is our Solicitor and he works for the EAC. Mr. McCormick said he will draft an email addressed to Mrs. Yerger and she will forward it to Mr. Clemons.

"Dear Sandy: As per our discussion this evening, would you mind passing along the following request to Terry Clemons (LST's open-space solicitor)?

In connection with the possible conservation of the three adjacent properties in Wassergass (Marson to the front, and Buroff / Smith and Carber in the rear), would it be possible for Terry to contact Mr. Marson and discuss the potential for having the three properties considered as an entirety for appraisal purposes?

Stated differently, could Terry explain to Mr. Marson: (1) the difficulties presented by the properties and the challenges in finding development value in the two properties to the rear on a stand-alone basis; and (2) the pros / cons of considering them as an entirety for Mr. Marson to consider with his advisors? Assuming a favorable response from Mr. Marson (no binding commitment at this stage, of course), then perhaps Terry could socialize the idea with the Buroff / Smith and Carber owners.

Of course, this approach may well be preferable. If not acceptable to Mr. Marson or if otherwise impracticable, as an alternative we should then fall back to consideration of a conservation easement on only the Marson property. As an initial matter, let's first pursue the possibility of the three properties as an entirety as described above.

Thank you, and as always, please call me with any comments or questions. Also, I am happy to chat with Terry. Tom McCormick”

Mr. McCormick said the analysis was right. It’s only hypothetical that he’ll get less if it’s considered in its entirety. That’s not necessarily the case because the appraisal could allocate 60% of the total to him. Even if it did come in with less money, there are the benefits of him having the perpetual conservation of his up the hill neighbors who might be willing to pay for that in the form of less compensation. Mrs. Yerger said she’s pleased that we do have a response to them. We have an alternative solution instead of just saying no, it can’t be done. It may not be what they want, but there is an option for them.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. NATIVE PLANT GARDEN

Mary Anthony was present. Mrs. Yerger said Mary has a proposal she would like to present to the EAC. Mary said her physical labor part of the garden is just about done now as she’s going back to school in three weeks. Through the course of the garden, sometimes her family would have to buy some of the things that were necessary. On her list, she has the solar panel unit, the lamination for the maps, the fountain pump and the lumber and Plexiglas that were used in the podiums. She was looking for reimbursement for at least some of it as it was a lot of money that came from her family and she has receipts that she xeroxed and a total on the back.

MOTION BY: Ms. Ray moved to recommend to Council that Mary Anthony, who worked on the Native Plant Garden for her Girl Scout Gold Award be reimbursed for \$385.64 for the Native Plant Garden, which consists of the solar unit, fountain pump, lumber and Plexiglas for the podiums, and the lamination for the two maps which are in the podium.

SECOND BY: Mr. Beardsley

ROLL CALL: 7-0

B. SIGNAGE FOR WILDFLOWER MEADOWS

Mrs. Yerger said she hasn’t been to Southeastern meadow, has anyone seen what it looks like? Mr. Johnson said he wonders if the Multiflora Rose is spreading itself through these meadows. He thinks it could be a project for the EAC or someone else and go to these places and walk through and cut down the Multiflora Rose before it gets too big. Mrs. Yerger said they mow it once a year so they shouldn’t get super huge. Mr. Johnson said that will take care of it. Mrs. Yerger said they are so prevalent around here, it probably doesn’t matter with once a year mowing. Mr. Maxfield said it wouldn’t hurt to go through every once in a while and cut it to the ground. Mrs. Yerger said she was told that you could cut it, then where you’ve cut it, paint it with a chemical. It won’t affect the things around it. Mr. Guerra said it’s a powerful chemical and it should work. If you continually prune it, the energy will run out the plant. Mr. Maxfield said the virus is in our area, and we can just wait. He’s seen a couple of Multiflora plants already dying and eventually they are going to die. Mrs. Yerger said Mr. Johnson lives by Southeastern, maybe he could swing by and try to assess the extent of how much it is an issue there and also at Polk Valley Park by the next meeting and then we can recommend some kind of attack. She doesn’t know how extensive the invasion is. Mr. Maxfield said we probably should keep, on all of our Township properties, both Multiflora and Autumn Olive. It’s an exclusionary plant where nothing else will grow around it. If you look at it from a distance, it’s gray.

Mrs. Yerger said we had a Eagle Scout project that was never completed. What he was supposed to do a map like Mary Anthony did, identifying some of the plants, and we were going to get Gary Kichline to do three podiums and put around the wildflower meadows – maybe one at Southeastern and two at Polk Valley Park. It would be showing pictures of the different identifications, putting

it under Plexiglas so people could identify some of the native plants. Does anyone know of a Boy Scout who needs to do a simple project as Gary will make the actual podiums for them? Mr. McCormick said he's going to a Minsi Trail Council meeting on Wednesday morning, and he can ask the Scout Director if he could pass along the information to all the troop leaders. Mrs. Yerger said it would be just going up to the park, identifying some of the plants, and making a map. She will send Mr. McCormick an email on what they are looking for. Mr. Maxfield said you could use UV filter Plexiglas or certain kinds of ink that are good with Plexiglas. Mrs. Yerger said we'll investigate that, but let's see if someone wants to undertake the project.

C. GREEN PURCHASING POLICY

Mrs. Yerger said does anyone have any comments, questions, objections? Mr. Maxfield said he didn't see anything in there that conflicts with what we are currently doing. It basically gives justification to what we're doing. We should keep doing it. Mrs. Yerger said she thinks the water authority is a separate entity, but we could pass this on to them and ask them to adopt it. Ms. Ray said we should share the information or any sources.

MOTION BY: Mr. Maxfield moved that we endorse the Green Purchasing Policy and recommend that it be distributed to all government-associated entities of Lower Saucon Township.

SECOND BY: Mr. Beardsley

ROLL CALL: 7-0

IV. DEVELOPER ITEMS – None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF APRIL 12, 2011 MINUTES

MOTION BY: Mr. McCormick moved for approval of the April 12, 2011 minutes.

SECOND BY: Mr. Johnson

ROLL CALL: 7-0

B. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JUNE 14, 2011 MINUTES

Mr. Johnson said on page 6 of 10, line 2, the word "yhou" should be changed to "**you**". Page 7 of 10, line 26, the last word in the sentence should be "**for**".

Mr. Johnson said from reading through the minutes, he has a couple of questions. Page 3 of 10, we were going to send a recommendation to Council that the Parks & Recreation board take a look at the property. Mrs. Yerger said Parks & Recreation did go see the Dravec property. They are going to set up a time to sit down with the EAC and talk about it. They thought it should be open as well and figure out how to get the Dravec property open by fall time. Mr. Johnson said how about Long Ridge? Mr. Maxfield said they came up with some recommendations for that like picnic areas, camping areas, trails. Mr. Johnson said is it in Council's lap? Mrs. Yerger said no, they wanted to get together with the EAC. We would like to give Mr. Cahalan direction and see if we can coordinate and get together with Parks & Recreation and talk about their recommendations. Parks & Recreation were very enthusiastic about it.

Mr. Johnson asked about the Fish & Wildlife person who has been investigating Bog Turtles and said Mrs. Yerger was going to email the EAC some information. Mrs. Yerger said his name is Jason Tesauro and she will email them the information. She said they are not so sure the program is going to survive as it's federal.

MOTION BY: Mr. Maxfield moved for approval of the June 14, 2011 minutes, with corrections.
SECOND BY: Mrs. Yerger
ROLL CALL: 7-0

VI. OLD/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

A. OPEN SPACE BROCHURE FOR OPEN SPACE EIT REFERENDUM

Mr. McCormick and Mr. Maxfield are going to get together and work on a brochure. Mr. Maxfield said his feeling is that it would be most important to have a brochure on election day. The first time they passed the referendum, they spent so much time at the polls talking to people and it was apparent people hadn't made up their minds until they got there. That's where we really need to have input – at the polls. Mrs. Yerger said if we are serious about having something to hand out, she would do it as a post card, one sided, like a good-bad kind of thing. Vote Yes. This is what you are going to have and then maybe do some of the monetary figures. Mr. McCormick said he agrees entirely with that. Mrs. Yerger said you have to be so many feet away from the door at the polling place. Mr. Maxfield said you can't show any materials like pro or con inside the polling place. This came up at the last Council meeting, and we said we basically supported the open space program and someone said that was trying to sway an election. He doesn't think it's a problem with a successful program and supporting, as a group, a program like this. Even though we are a government entity, if we're not here to push ideas and do certain things, what are we here for? Mrs. Yerger said we need to hear from Attorney Treadwell. Mr. Maxfield said he doesn't think that's legitimate. Mrs. Yerger said we had funding from private citizens and we did it on our own time, not here. It was a PAC that was formed and went away. There were signs. Mr. Maxfield said the signs have to say "Paid for by" and it can't be a government entity. As individuals and members of the EAC, we are allowed to stand out there and say we are not representing the EAC, we are representing the open space as a citizen. Mrs. Yerger said as long as we don't spend government funds on reproducing cards, brochures, pamphlets, signs. Mr. Beardsley said if you had something out at the polls, it has to be something simple. Mr. McCormick said it's a good idea. Why doesn't citizen Tom Maxfield and citizen Tom McCormick come up with something and give it free of charge to the Watershed Creek Association and ask them if they would help us with the costs. Mr. Maxfield said we may want to talk to Glenn Kern. He made up a presentation and is taking them around to the school board and places like that. We may have to form a citizen's group or a pact. Mr. McCormick said let's coordinate with Glenn Kern then. Mrs. Yerger said there may be entities that have printing capacities and may donate running off a hundred or so. You can spearhead that and make it very simple. They will get in touch with Glenn Kern and get together with him.

VII. UPDATES/REPORTS

A. COMMUNITY DAY – AUGUST 20, 2011

Mrs. Yerger said we are going to have the AERC recycling event and Springfield Township tire recycling flyers to hand out. Diane will print an overview on the EAC and what it is. She will bring the pamphlet "Return on the Environment" so people can understand the economic value of open space. Mr. Johnson said he'll come to Community Day that morning at about 8:00 AM or 9:00 AM and help Mr. Cahalan put the tent up.

B. AERC E-CYCLING EVENT – SEPTEMBER 24, 2011

Mrs. Yerger the event is September 24, 2011. They will bring this back at the next meeting. They will need volunteers to help out.

C. SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP EAC ANNUAL TIRE RECYCLING EVENT – OCTOBER 1, 2011

VIII. TERRY BOOS – HELLERTOWN REPRESENTATIVE – REPORT – No report

IX. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

- Mr. Beardsley asked about the Timko property as he heard the owner didn't want to sell it now. Mrs. Yerger said it's back under family discussion. The appraisal came in about \$50,000.00 for outright purchase and a grant was applied for from the state which was half. Mr. Maxfield said it's okay to come out of open space funds. Mrs. Yerger said yes as it's recreational use. No final decision has been made by the family.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT – No public comment

XI. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY: Mr. Johnson moved for adjournment. The time was 8:12 PM.

SECOND BY: Mr. Guerra

ROLL CALL: 7-0

Sandra Yerger, Chair

Next EAC Meeting: Tuesday, September 13, 2011