Salford Township Open Space Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

September 16, 2025

Present: Bob Gautreau, Melody Leithold, Tim Clemens (Finance Committee), Barb McMonagle

Absent: John Feldi

Guests: None

I. Announcements

None

II. Discussion

1. The meeting started at 7:30 pm at the township building.
2. The meeting minutes of July 15, 2025, were approved.
3. Barb shared an updated Salford Preferred Open Space Properties list.
4. Montco Forever Green Grant Program – A new grant program to fund open space preservation was announced. Grants up to $500,000 are available with a minimum 25% match. Grant applications are being received on a rolling basis. The program is being administered by the Montgomery County Planning Commission.
5. Ramp Barn in Tylersport – The Board of Supervisors (BOS) decided to move the barn. The Jaybird Foundation said they would not be interested in working with the township if the barn is moved.
6. Invasive vegetation update - Beside the emerald ash borer and the oak fungus, there is now a disease affecting beech trees. Other invasive vegetations in the township include Mile a Minute which can grow 6”/day, Japanese Stilt grass and Japanese Knotweed.
7. Tylersport Community Park –
    A. Nothing yet on the plaques and the dedication of the fountain.
    B. Sign – Nothing yet
    C: Pickleball area – Yes, we have space for it here.
8. Replacement Signs for Whites Mill & Copper Mine Creek Preserves – Signs are coming.
9. Whites Mill Preserve – The area along the dam has been sprayed. The display board is broken.
10. Replacement signs for Whites Mill and Copper Mine creek have been ordered.
11. PA House Bille 1976, 2045 & Senate Bill 1126 – There has been no activity on these bills since 2024.
12. Whites Mill Quarry Walk #2 – The date for our next walk is planned for Saturday November 22nd at 2 pm. We will confirm the date at our next meeting on November 18th.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Next meeting is November 18, 2025, at 7:30 pm at the township building.