

Town of Orange
Conservation Commission
Monday, January 12, 2015
High Plains Community Center Conference Room

Present: Sharon Ewen, Cindy Ruggeri, Amy Williams, Robb McCorkle, Mike Ross
Absent: John Clark, Dave Krause

The meeting commenced at 7:10 p.m.

OCC Minutes

A motion was made by Amy Williams to approve the December 8, 2014 meeting minutes. All approved.

Cindy will contact Jeff Capp about adding the OCC agendas and minutes to the OCC website.

Financial Report

Sharon will request the new OCC budget on 1/15/15.

Photo Contest

Photos provided to David Krause were voted on and certificates and gift cards will be provided for the top 3 winners, the 4th person will receive an Honorable Mention certificate.

John Wesolowski – 1st Place
Stephanie Durkee – 2nd Place
Priya Aggarwal – 3rd Place
Tamara Ketchian – Honorable Mention

Backpack Project

Backpacks were approved for all the school libraries. Sharon will apply to Orange Rotary for \$900 for backpacks and materials. Robb will also apply for a grant from the Lion's Club. Sharon spoke to Meryl Farber about the backpacks for the Case Children's Library and she seemed interested.

Orange Plan of Conservation

Sharon contacted Glenn Chalder about the changes to the map and list of properties which need to be included in the Plan of Conservation. Per Glenn Chalder, changes can be made during December and January.

Owl Prowl

Expenses were covered during the first Owl Prowl; 38 people participated. Jim Ewen put up 2 screech owl boxes in Ewen Preserve after the prowl.

Open Space Maps

Robb McCorkle spoke to Dan Lynch about reprinting the Open Space maps. Additional maps can be printed at \$1300.00 per 1,000. Mike Ross has the flash drive with the original map. A discussion took place about additional funding needed for maps.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Ruggeri