

**Township of Lawrence  
County of Mercer**

**Ordinance No. 2146-13**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A TRAILS, OPEN SPACE AND  
STEWARDSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Section 1.**

**WHEREAS, the Township Council is desirous of creating a more efficient and productive use of volunteer resources; and**

**WHEREAS, it has been determined that committees charged with similar missions would be better served to work as one unit; and**

**WHEREAS, the reorganization of the Greenway Committee and the Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee would prove to be a more efficient use of volunteer resources;**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Council of the Township of Lawrence, County of Mercer, State of New Jersey, that the members of the stated committees be combined to create a Trails, Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee; and**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the membership of the newly-formed committee shall consist of 9 regular members for 3-year terms and 1 representative as indicated with said terms being as follows:**

- 1 Representative from the Recreation Advisory Committee serving for a 1-year period**
- 3 3- year terms ending 12/31/12**
- 3 3-year terms ending 12/31/13**
- 3 3-year terms ending 12/31/14**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the initial membership shall consist of the two current members of the Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee and the four current members of the Greenway Advisory Committee at the time of the effective date of this ordinance; and**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that two members of this committee shall serve as liaisons to the Environmental Resources Committee; and**

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the powers and duties of the Greenway, Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee shall be as follows:**

- A. Advise and consult with the Council and the Municipal Manager with respect to the implementation of the trails and bikeways throughout the Township, including reviewing and making recommendations with respect to Township acquisition and administration of the projects;**
- B. Make recommendations regarding property acquisition of environmentally sensitive land and of land to be used for active and passive recreation;**

- C. Make recommendations to the Environmental Resources and Sustainability Green Advisory Committee regarding proposed trails and desired land acquisition consistent with open space and trail expansion;
- D. Make recommendations regarding the management of Township parkland;
- E. Assist in the development of the Township's Open Space Plan;

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that upon final adoption hereof, the Greenway Advisory Committee and the Open Space and Stewardship Advisory Committee are hereby disbanded and repealed.**

**Section 2. Repealer**

All ordinances or parts of same inconsistent with any provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

**Section 3. Severability**

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance shall be declared invalid for any reason, the remaining portions of said ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 4. Effective Date**

This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after adoption thereof.

**Adopted: January 8, 2013**

**RECORD OF VOTE**

COUNCIL	AYE	NAY	PRESENT	ABSENT	ABSTAIN	MOVE	SECOND
Ms. Lewis	X					X	
Dr. Maffei	X						X
Mr. Powers		X					
Mayor Kownacki	X						