HARVEY CEDARS OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING

Borough Hall

February 20, 2026

Present:	Susan Carril	Ed O'Conner	John Imperiale
	Judy Gerken	Bruce Hyde	Bill Voris
Call In:	MaryLu Danna	Linda Pugliese	
Absent:	Ed Penberthy		

Meeting convened at 4:30pm

- Introduction of Members
  Chairperson of OSC is Susan Carril
  Secretary is MaryLu Danna
  New Member is Bruce Hyde who will also coordinate zoom meetings.
- Thank you to Ed O'Conner for serving as Chairperson for the past 9 years. Ed is moving on to the Land Use Board.
- Replacement for Jim Fritz from the HCTA. Kathy Reis to appoint a new member.
- Approval of Minutes from 10/31/2025 – approved.
- Acceptance of RFP at the Commissioners Meeting.
- Bruce Hyde will be exploring avenues for funding potential sale of Maris Stella bayside property
- John Imperiale spoke with the Ocean County attorney who suggested the county would purchase land for open space.
- $5500.00 Has been appropriated for the first step for advice on keeping open space property. Ordinance for this year has approve $17,000.00.
- Walter's builders have been given approval for the building of 6 homes on the Maris Stella oceanfront property. No variance needed, lot size to remain at 75x100. They still need to go before Land Use Board for approval of style of homes so they are not cookie cutter style.
- Ocean County is talking about raising the open space tax. If this referendum passes, should Harvey Cedars OSC would support the commissioners as a PR move for us.

Meeting Adjourned at 5:05pm

Next Meeting TBD