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FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD

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REGULAR MEETING OF THE FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD

Thursday, March 2, 2023

Present: Chairperson Mark Teicher, Vice-Chairperson Scott Joling, Secretary Kathy Bradbury, Laura Sanders, Township Board Rep., Guerin Wilkinson, Gretchen Driskell, Marty Ruhlig.

Absent: None.

Also present: Janis Miller, Recording Secretary.

Audience present: None.

- 1. Call to Order:** Chairperson Teicher called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.
- 2. Approval of Minutes:** February 2, 2023
Moved by Sanders, seconded by Joling, to approve the meeting minutes of February 2, 2023, as amended. Motion carried 7-0.
- 3. Nomination of Secretary:**
Moved by Sanders to nominate Kathy Bradbury as Secretary. Motion seconded by Wilkinson. All ayes. Motion carried.
- 4. Review of Open Meetings Act and Administrative Rules:**
Chairperson Teicher distributed two handouts and reviewed highlights of each document.
- 5. Committee [Board] Members Q & A:**
No questions from Board members.
- 6. Consultant's Report:**
Land Preservation Consultant Barry Lonik reviewed the process, and documentation needed, to successfully secure development rights. Since the last meeting he had sent a letter to selected landowners and had received one phone call from an interested landowner. In an update on the Monier property he said that Arbor Land Consultants was doing the boundary survey on the Monier property, a second [landowner] signature on the purchase agreement was needed, and they hoped to close on the 70-acre conservation easement/development rights by the end of June [2023]. For future monitoring purposes, in order to avoid wetland areas, the Monier's have granted easement access across their drive. Chairperson Teicher

thanked the Dexter Township Board of Trustees for funding the pilot project. Joling inquired about endangered plants or animal species to which Consultant Lonik replied that information is covered on the County's form.

7. Closed Session:

Motion by Teicher, seconded by Bradbury, to go into closed session.

Roll Call Vote: Yea – Sanders, Driskell, Joling, Teicher, Bradbury, Wilkinson, Ruhlig; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board entered Closed Session at 7:37 PM.

Motion by Wilkinson to return to Open Public Meeting. Motion seconded by Sanders. All ayes. Motion carried.

8. Open Session:

The Board returned to Open Session at 7:57 PM.

9. Public comment: No public present to comment.

10. Schedule:

March 31 – due date for Agenda

April 6 – Next Meeting [7 PM]

11. Adjournment: With no other business to conduct, Chairperson Teicher declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Bradbury, Secretary

Janis Miller, Recording Secretary