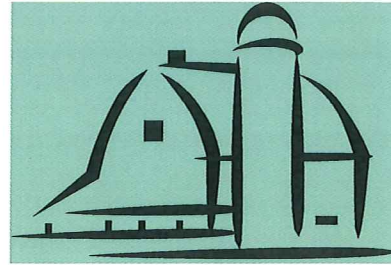


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Greene County Farmland Preservation
Board Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2020
Farm Inspections at 10AM
Meeting at Jim Willis' Operation
337 Neff Road Jefferson, PA 15344

Board Meeting at 1PM
GCCD Conference Room (Masks Required)
22 West High Street, Suite 204
Waynesburg, PA

CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The meeting was called to order by David Shipman at 1:01 PM in the GCCD Conference Room

Those in attendance were as follows:

GREENE COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD (GCFLP) MEMBERS

Members Present- David Shipman- Vice Chairman; Richard Thistlethwaite- Treasurer; Mike Belding- Commissioner; Richard Belding; James Willis, Corbly Orndorff and Chris Eisiminger

STAFF AND GUESTS

Robert E. Grimm- Greene County Solicitor; Lisa Snider-District Manager; Ben Schweiger- Conservation Technician; and Sara Hlatky-Conservation Technician.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Robert E. Grimm made an introduction to the board and explained his role within the county.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

*A motion was made by James Willis to approve September 23, 2020 meeting minutes.
Mike Belding seconded. (Motion passed)*

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Richard Belding to approve the treasurer's report. Chris Eisiminger seconded. (Motion passed)

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

William A. Cree, Jr. & Lura Ann Cree #3 (83.029 ac.)- LESA Score: 59.47
Dominick & Kimberly Barbetta #1 (79.175 ac.) – LESA score: 50.97

Board of Directors: William Cree III, Chairman; David Shipman, Vice-Chairman; Richard Thistlethwaite, Treasurer; Charles Day, Secretary; Richard Belding; James Willis; Corbly Orndorff; Chris Eisiminger; Commissioner Mike Belding

Mr. Schweiger explained the District is waiting on the check from the state for the William A. Cree, Jr. and Lura Ann Cree #3 farm to move forward with the closing. Mr. Schweiger added the clear title has not been completed for the Barbetta's and Mr. Hook is actively working on it.

NEW BUSINESS

Farm Inspections- October 21, 2020

A brief discussion was held in regards to farm inspections completed for the following operations: J. Willis #1, H. Gapen #1, and Phillips #1. The following attended the farm inspections: Ben Schweiger, Sara Hlatky, Richard Belding, Chris Eisiminger, Richard Thistlethwaite and Chris Eisiminger. All farms inspected were in compliance with Farmland Preservation laws and no violations were documented. The agenda from the previous meeting initially included the inspection of Cree #1, however the inspection for the operation was completed last year along with Cree #2.

A motion was made by Richard Belding to send inspection letters to operation landowners and to the state. Chris Eisiminger seconded. (Motion passed)

2021 Directorship recommendation to Greene County Commissioners

A brief discussion was held in regards to the upcoming 2021 directorship recommendation to Greene County Commissioners.

A motion was made by Chris Eisiminger to recommend reappointment to the expiring members: Richard Belding, James Willis, and Mike Belding. Richard Belding seconded. (Motion passed)

A motion was made by Chris Eisiminger to recommend reappointment of William Cree III as Chairman. Richard Thistlethwaite seconded. (Motion passed)

OUTREACH

No outreach.

STAFF REPORTS

Lisa Snider- Ms. Snider announced the Annual Awards Banquet was discussed at the District Board meeting and is tentatively scheduled. The status of the ceremony will depend on covid developments and restrictions. However, preparations are underway.

Ben Schweiger- Mr. Schweiger stated he has been processing required Farmland Preservation documents and has been checking in on the status of the clear title for the Barbetta's.

Sara Hlatky- Ms. Hlatky added she completed the technical review of the Nutrient Management Plan District for an operation in Washington County. She is waiting on revisions from the plan writer.

Next Meeting Date: November 18, 2020 at 1:00 PM in GCCD Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Richard Thistlethwaite to adjourn the meeting at 1:18 PM. James Willis seconded. (Motion passed)

RECONVENED


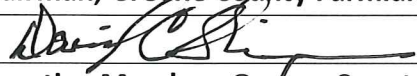
The meeting was reconvened at 1:27 PM by David Shipman.

Ms. Snider explained the request for a nomination of farmer director to the Greene County Conservation District Board. A brief discussion was held among board members.

A motion was made by Corbly Orndorff to send a nomination letter of David Shipman as farmer director of the Greene County Conservation District Board to the Greene County Board of Commissioners. Richard Belding seconded. (Motion passed)

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by James Willis to adjourn the meeting at 1:29 PM. Chris Eisiminger. (Motion passed)

MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATION
We, the undersigned, agree that the minutes taken above were approved in their entirety by the Greene County Farmland Preservation on <u>Jan. 20</u> , 2020.

Chairman, Greene County Farmland Preservation

Executive Member, Greene County Farmland Preservation