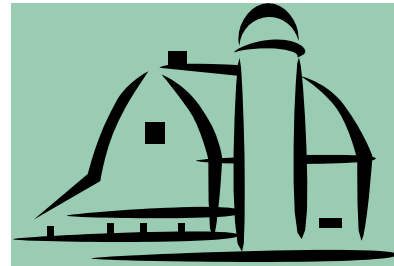


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Greene County Farmland Preservation
Board Meeting Agenda
July 17th, 2019 at 8:30 AM
GCCD Conference Room
22 West High Street, Suite 204
Waynesburg, PA

I. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

The meeting was called to order by Dave Shipman at 9:12 AM at Greene County Conservation District Conference Room.

Greene County Farmland Preservation Board (GCFLP) Members

Members Present—William Cree-Chairman; David Shipman-Vice Chairman; Richard Thistlethwaite-Treasurer; James Willis; Corbly Orndorff; and Archie Trader, Greene County Commissioner.

Staff and Guests

Lisa Snider, District Manager, GCCD; Ben Schweiger, Conservation Technician, GCCD

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by James Willis to approve June 19, 2019 meeting minutes. Richard Thistlethwaite seconded. (Motion passed)

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Corbly Orndorff to approve the treasurer's report. Archie Trader seconded. (Motion passed)

V. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Stated the Cree application is completed.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Schweiger explained Mr. Pierce does not own his surface coal rights. Thirteen individuals with ties to the previous landowner have some ownership in the surface coal rights. It will be a process for the lawyer to try to find all owners of the surface coal rights for signatures and for everyone to reach an agreement. It is uncertain how long this process will take. The process of Barbetta's also has uncertainty in regards to the surface coal rights. Mr. Schweiger asked for the board's insight to moving forward with the Cree application. Mr. Orndorff stated how the Cree

application ranks highest among the other applications. The other applications can still be considered in the following year if surface coal rights are resolved.

A motion was made by Corbly Orndorff to move forward with the Cree application for farmland preservation. Archie Trader seconded. (Motion passed)

Mr. Schweiger asked the board if there were any suggestions for changes to the program for the seven-year review. Mr. Orndorff asked about the timeline for reviewing farms for compliance. Ms. Snider explained there is a two year rotation with the farms for this process.

A motion was made by Richard Thistlethwaite to send the seven-year review to state. James Willis seconded. (Motion passed)

VIII. OUTREACH

Ms. Snider stated Ben and Sara will be at the fair this week.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

Lisa Snider

Ms. Snider explained she has been working on the expenses report for the end of fiscal year and beginning the farmland budget to cover Mr. Hook and advertising funds.

Ben Schweiger

Mr. Schweiger mentioned he had nothing to add to his staff report. He has been working on the GRACE program and will begin moving forward with the Cree application.

X. **Next Meeting Date:** August 21st at 8:30AM at the GCCD Conference Room

XI. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Richard Thistlethwaite to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 AM. James Willis seconded. (Motion passed)

Respectfully submitted,

<u>MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATION</u>
We, the undersigned, agree that the minutes taken above were approved in their entirety by the Greene County Farmland Preservation on _____, 2019.
Chairman, Greene County Farmland Preservation
Executive Member, Greene County Farmland Preservation