

**WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2021**

ATTENDING

LP&S COMMITTEE:

Bob Portnoy, Acting Chair
John Braxton, Secretary
Lyle Frederick
Abbie Kessler
Ed Roworth

TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

Justin Yaich, Township Manager
Jack Hines, Township Supervisor

Scott Andress, Stormwater & Special Projects
Cheryl Wanko, LP&SC Sub-committee
Rob Daniels, Brandywine Conservancy

Bob Portnoy, Acting Committee Chair, called the public meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Committee members introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting followed by Public Comment.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES:

Draft minutes prepared for the December 7, 2020 meeting by John Braxton, Secretary, were approved.

OTHER COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

Abbie shared that the Historical Commission has delayed the Historical Resource survey. Cheryl brought our committee up to speed on the Recreation Commission discussions on West Bradford Day, Butterfly Garden and other events. Lyle will reach out to coordinate efforts with regard to the Butterfly Garden. Bob attended the recent OSRER meeting.

AG EASEMENT PRIORITIZATION:

Rob Daniels of Brandywine Conservancy updated the committee on a proposal to update language to more closely align with County and State requirements on Ag Easement submissions. The committee voted to forward change to BoS for approval.

OPEN SPACE TAX COLLECTIONS UPDATE:

Justin informed the committee that tax collections for open space exceeded projections for 2020 (Proj \$1.40mil vs. Act \$1.52mil). The 2021 projection is \$1.46mil.

EMBREEVILLE UPDATE:

Bldgs 1&2 are demolished with Bldgs 5&11 slated next. All eleven buildings are expected to be demolished by early Fall with a closing by Q1 2022. Land Use Steering Committee is hoped for post-demo.

MONARCH / BUTTERFLY / POLLINATOR GARDEN:

Lyle was in touch with Brandywine Red Clay Alliance to discuss guidance on best location; plantings; maintenance; size; budget, etc. for a Pollinator Garden. Lyle will reach out to P&R about their proposed Butterfly Garden project to coordinate efforts.

SUSTAINABILITY SUBCOMMITTEE:

Cheryl provided an article for the township Spring newsletter. Ready for 100 resolution should go before the BoS at the February 9th meeting. A review of the Zoning Code and SALDO has been undertaken by the Subcommittee with an eye toward Sustainability. Cheryl discussed the possibility of a Sustainability Summit among various township Commissions as a future goal.

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE DISCUSSION:

The idea of splitting the LP&S Committee into two parts or restructuring in some form was discussed. The parts would revolve around Open Space / Land Conservation and Environmental / Sustainability initiatives. A clarification of the Committee charter was discussed.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

The next regular committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 1, 2021 at 6:30 PM. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Braxton
Secretary