

DRAFT
WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MEETING
April 4, 2022 Minutes

ATTENDING

LP&S COMMITTEE:

Lyle Frederick
Abbie Kessler
Bob Portnoy, Acting Chair
Marsha Hodge
Cheryl Wanko

TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

Scott Andress, Township Staff
Jack Hines, Township Supervisor

TOWNSHIP GUESTS:

Bobbie Ekdahl

Bob Portnoy called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members and attendees introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting. Scott Andress took the minutes.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES:

Draft minutes for the March 7, 2022 meeting as prepared were approved.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

- Ed Roworth resigned from the committee after the March 7, 2022 meeting for personal reasons. Ed was thanked for his contributions to the committee as one of the founding members.
- There was further discussion about filling the vacancy on the committee and it was recommended to wait until the splitting the LPSC into two committees: one focusing on land and resource preservation; the other focusing on energy transitioning and sustainability. Cheryl Wanko recommended the split not happen until after an internal draft of the Energy Transition Plan is completed, which will probably be near the end of August.
- The committee has requested that the Board of Supervisors provide the committee a draft of the resolutions for the proposed two new committees for review and comment.

UPDATE FROM OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP:

- Bob Portnoy provided updates on easement transactions and/or possibilities under consideration.
- Lyle Frederick is working with John Goodall of the Brandywine Conservancy to draft a letter to West Bradford Township landowners about land preservation. The draft letter was reviewed and the following comments were provided: 1) Bob would like his phone number provided at the bottom of the letter so that he can answer any questions that may arise after the mailing of the letters. 2) Abbie will be adding a section to the letter about “donating” a conservation easement.

- The LPSC will consider holding an informational dinner in the fall. It was suggested that the dinner be held late fall/winter so as to not interfere with fall harvesting.

UPDATE FROM “READY FOR 100” WORKING GROUP

- Cheryl Wanko inquired about the Board of Supervisors approval to meet with residents who are interested in implementing recommendations of the Energy Transition Plan. Jack Hines indicated that it would be discussed at the April 12, 2022 Board of Supervisors Meeting.

PLANS FOR WEST BRADFORD DAY

- Plans were discussed for what the committee will present on West Bradford Day, which will be held from 12 to 4 pm on Sunday, May 15th.
- Cheryl indicated that she had 4 maybe 5 local Electric Vehicle owners lined up to be at West Bradford Day to show their vehicles and answer questions about EV ownership.
- Bobbie Ekdahl suggested there be some type of informational tent regarding battery/electric lawn and garden machines and tools.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business was identified.

MEETING SCHEDULE:

The next regular committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 2, 2022 at 7:00 PM. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Andress