WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP LAND PRESERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (LPSC) MEETING

February 6, 2023 Minutes

ATTENDING

LP&S COMMITTEE: TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

Cheryl Wanko - Chair

Abbie Kessler – Vice Chair

Lyle Frederick - Secretary

Joseph Antonelli, Planning and Zoning Director

Jack Hines, Township Supervisor

BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY:

Amy Johnston John Goodall

Cheryl Wanko called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. Committee members and attendees introduced themselves at the beginning of the meeting. The committee welcomed the new committee member, Amy Johnston, to the group.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES:

Draft minutes for the January 9, 2023 meeting were approved.

COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL CHANGES

The committee discussed the vacancy on the Land Preservation and Sustainability Committee. Jack Hines stated interviews will occur in the future during Executive Session. Assignments within the committee structure will be finalized once the last committee member is selected by the BOS.

UPDATE FROM OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP:

Lyle Frederick noted that the invitations for the landowner breakfast will be going in the mail within the next few days. Topics will include an update on recent conservation activity, explanation to landowners on the process of acquiring an open space conservation easement, topics related to storm water issues and their remedies, along with a recent landowner explaining their experiences. Participants include Abbie Kessler from the LP&SC and Red Clay Alliance, John Goodall from Brandywine Conservancy, Jack Stefferud from Natural Land Trust.

UPDATE FROM SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP:

Lyle discussed the upcoming educational series created by the local group "Broad Run Native Gardeners" called "Creating A Beautiful Garden Habitat" to be held at the West Bradford Township Building on Thursday, March 9, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM.

WEST BRADFORD DAY - MAY 21st - Noon to 4:00 PM

Group discussed options to have a presence at the event. Discussions included exhibitions of electric lawn equipment and to possibly invite some local mechanics to discuss electric cars with the public.

JOHN GOODALL - BRANDYWINE CONSERVANCY

John provided a power point presentation regarding some potential preservation projects in West Bradford Township. The Committee agreed that the projects were worth pursuing. Mr. Goodall will contact the three landowners once approval is granted from the Board of Supervisors. John Goodall closed his presentation by congratulating the Township and the Committee for conserving 185-acres of land this past year.

READY FOR 100 – Brandywine Conservancy Proposal

The group discussed that there was not enough time to seek other proposals to implement the plan, the Group voted in favor of Brandywine Conservancy's Option #2 Proposal.

NEW BUSINESS

Cheryl Wanko began discussions of the SolSmart Program which members of the Committee virtually attended on Wednesday, January 25, 2023.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyle Frederick