

**WEST BRADFORD TOWNSHIP
LAND PRESERVATION & SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE (LP&SC)
MEETING
April 3, 2023 Minutes**

ATTENDING

LP&S COMMITTEE:

Cheryl Wanko - Chair
Abbie Kessler – Vice Chair
Lyle Frederick - Secretary
Marsha Hodge
Jaisri Chety
Amy Johnston
David Schwab

TOWNSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

Joseph Antonelli, Planning and Zoning Director
Jack Hines, Township Supervisor

The Committee met for a Working Session at 6:00 PM where Abbie Kessler led a discussion involving the Conservation Easement processes. This seminar was very useful and informative, for there are many new members on the Committee, and Abbie has a vast amount of experience in the field.

Cheryl Wanko called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Cheryl began the meeting by welcoming new member David Schwab to the Land Preservation and Sustainability Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bobbie Ekdahl, West Bradford resident discussed a recent article in the Daily Local concerning land preservation. Ms. Ekdahl also raised some concerns about the planning and cost of the breakfast held recently at the Temenos Center for landowners who may be interested in pursuing a conservation easement.

REVIEW / APPROVE MINUTES:

Committee offered suggestions for amendment to the Draft Minutes for the March 6, 2023 Meeting. Abbie Kessler made motion to approve the minutes as presented, Marsha Hodge seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion passed 7-0.

UPDATE FROM SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP:

Lyle discussed the presentation called “Creating A Beautiful Garden Habitat” that was organized by the local group “Broad Run Native Gardeners.” The event was held at the West Bradford Township Building on Thursday, March 9, 2023 from 6:30 to 8:00 PM. There was a good turnout for this event, and it was very informative and engaging. The next presentation has not been scheduled at this time.

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

The LP&SC continued to discuss the presentation of electric vehicles and lawn equipment at West Bradford Day, as well as proposing some tree planting ideas on both Arbor Day and West

Bradford Day. Discussions with the tree planting events will be discussed more in detail with the Building and Parks Supervisor, Mike Simmons. Other organizations, such as the local Boy Scouts, can be included in this event.

EARTH DAY – BRANDYWINE CLEAN-UP – April 22, 2023 – Various Locations

Abbie Kessler reminded everyone that the Annual Brandywine River Cleanup will be held Saturday, April 22, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Meeting places will be at various locations throughout the Valley and registration is required through the Brandywine-Red Clay Alliance.

UPDATE FROM OPEN SPACE WORKING GROUP:

No discussions currently.

CONSERVATION EASEMENTS

No discussions currently.

ENERGY UPDATES

- **Solsmart**: The Committee unanimously agreed to make recommendation to the West Bradford Township Board of Supervisors to join the Solsmart Program.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lyle Frederick