

**Holland Township
Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting**

Thursday, April 01, 2021
Holland Twp. Municipal Building, 6:30 PM

Minutes

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM.

Present: S. Dufek, L. Wilson, K. Young, L. LaFevre

Excused: J. Bonham, E. Kozak, R. Lozowski, D. Bush, C. Frenchu

Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the open public meeting act by the Twp. Clerk on December 10, 2020.

NOTE: THIS MEETING WAS HELD VIA TELECONFERENCE.

The January Minutes were approved as submitted.

Farmland Preservation Applications:

Silva (B10 L43, 97.25ac and B14 L20, 32.99ac): CMV=\$4600/ac. Title search and survey are complete; closing/legal review is in process. Site baseline walk-through scheduled for next week.

Braun (B15 L2, 112ac and B15 L22.01, 15ac): DE program. CMV=\$3500/ac. Survey is under review.

Rolph (Cernecaro) (B17 L19, 91 net ac): CMV=\$4100/ac. Closing review in progress. Estate issue.

Other Land Preservation or Business:

GenOn: (B26 L10) 76ac. Closing review in progress.

Gombosi (B25 L30) 49.5ac, new owner. Larry will try to reconnect.

Harder (B11 L2, 111.01ac & B11 L2.06, 5.91ac): listed for \$1.85 mil. Larry talked with the realtor, Jeff Smith, who will discuss land preservation with potential buyers.

Schafer (Cummins): B6 L62.03, 20.99ac. Owner wants to preserve this farm, both the land and historic structures and offered to donate it to the Twp. or a non-profit. We discussed various options including applying as a MPIG application along with the Smith property across the road.

Smith: B15 L1.01, 23.84ac and B15 L1.02, 18.04ac. Laura agreed to touch base with Suzanne to see if she would reconsider farmland preservation.

Stone/Duff: B26 L26, 15.34ac. Larry discussed with Laurie Stone a few months ago and noted that the County would probably not support it because of its size. However, it might be approved along with the neighboring property.

Iacono: B26 L28, 10.08ac. Laura will reach out to see if they are interested in land preservation. This is adjacent to Stone/Duff.

Geibel (Tilstra): B24 L5, 30.71ac. Stefanie Miller inquired about this farm when she noticed that it was listed for sale.

John Oliver: B5 L7, 74ac. John contacted the SADC about farmland preservation. Stefanie replied that it didn't qualify as it was mostly wooded but that she would pass it along to GA if he was interested.

Judy Johnson: Judy contacted Larry about farmland preservation but more than half of her lot is already within a conservation easement. Will check to see how many acres are outside of the easement.

Pipeline Update: Arguments scheduled before the supreme court on 4/28/21.

Public Comment: N/A

Next Meeting(s): To be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 PM.