

Honey Brook Land Preservation Committee Minutes Tuesday September 26, 2017 7:00 PM

Attendees: Shane Hadden (Chair), Chip Jones (Vice Chair), Sue Lacy (Member), Mike Zook (Member)

Additional Attendees: John Goodall (Brandywine Conservancy), Rob Daniels (Brandywine Conservancy)

1. Review and approve July 18, 2017 Meeting Minutes – DRAFT

Motion to Approve: C. Jones

Second: S. Lacy

In favor: All

2. Applications from Brandywine Conservancy?

John Goodall reviewed two new applications, totaling 170.6 acres. The committee reviewed the townships financial position and found it favorable to proceed.

There was a motion to recommend that the Honey Brook Township Supervisors support the purchase of easements for parcels 22-7-52, 22-7-7, 22-7-12, 22-7-47, and 22-7-48 for a total amount of not more than \$422,235 or not more than 45% of the appraised fair market value, estimated at \$5500 per acre.

3. Land Preservation Plan Update – 5 year review – Brandywine Conservancy – Rob Daniels

Rob Daniels circulated a schedule of the update project. The committee considered adding an additional workshop meeting for Tuesday January 23rd, but has not confirmed. The committee reviewed the updated maps from the Conservancy and discussed criteria used to determine priority for approvals.

4. Financial Review

5. New business

John Goodall presented that the Conservancy has funding to do a study of how well Honey Brook Township is doing in terms of Best Management Practice execution. The study would be looking at ~166 farms, starting in November. The end result would be a comprehensive understanding of water quality in the Township. This will also be an outreach opportunity.

John will also bring properties that have not been eligible for programs in our scope to the attention of the Natural Lands Trust to see if there are other angles that could be used for preservation.

6. Upcoming LPC meeting/event schedule:

Tuesday November 21, 2017 – meeting at 7:00PM

Tuesday January 16, 2018 – meeting 8:00AM, breakfast 9:00AM

7. Adjournment

Motion: C. Jones

Second: S. Hadden

In favor: All