Holland Township Agriculture Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday, September 7, 2017 Holland Twp. Municipal Building, 6:30 PM

<u>Agenda</u>

• Call Meeting to Order

Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the open public meeting act by the Twp. Clerk on December 8, 2016.

- Approval of July Minutes
- Farmland Preservation Applications: Brown: Closing tentatively scheduled for Fri, Sep 8! Slate (B24 L6, 65.88 ac): Jackie (HLT) and Larry met with the Slates on July 12 to explain that the CADB rejected their application and discuss funding options. Jackie is to meet today with their attorney about federal funding. Cernecaro (B17 L19, 104.08ac): SADC is recommending minor adjustments to the 2 exception areas.
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- Other Land Preservation:

Silva Farm (B10 L43, 97.25ac and B14 L20, 32.99ac): Sonny Silva delivered a survey, an appraisal and other legal documents to HLT in July. Jackie spoke to him and he plans to pursue farmland preservation.

Clark Farm (B6 L60, 179ac): On July 13, Christine sent a letter to William Clark inquiring as to whether he would be interested in farmland preservation and enclosed a flyer describing scheduled farmland preservation informational meetings. She is trying to schedule a meeting with the Clark family.

On Aug 7, Governor Christie signed bills that appropriate \$65.3 million for farmland preservation and stewardship activities.

Farmland Preservation Plan: The Highlands Council approved the scope of work submitted by Darlene Green to update this plan.

• Other Business:

Community Day, Sat, Sep 9.

SADC updated its Scope of Surveying Services and requests that all surveys utilize the updated scope. Which counties preserved the most farmland last year?

- Pipeline Update:
- Public Comment:
- Next Meeting(s): Sep 7th, Oct 5th.
- Adjournment