

**Holland Township  
Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting**

Thursday, February 1, 2018  
Holland Township Municipal Building  
6:30 p.m.

**Minutes**

**Meeting called to order at: 6:39 p.m.**

***Adequate notice of this meeting was given pursuant to the open public meeting act, by the Twp. Clerk on December 21, 2017.***

Agricultural Committee Member	Present
Larry LaFevre (Chairperson)	X
Dan Bush (Township Committee)	X
John Bonham	X
Christine Frenchu, Consultant	EX
Edith Kozak	EX
Susan Dufek	EX
Laura Wilson	X
Kyle Young (Alt #1)	X
Ron Lozowski (Alt #2)	X
Heather Sorge (Secretary)	X

**I. 2018 Reorganization**

All members present were sworn in and thanked by Mayor Dan Bush.

**II. Minutes**

December minutes were approved as submitted. Moved by Kyle Young. Seconded by Ron Lozowski.

**III. Farmland Preservation Applications:**

- A. **Slate** (B24 L6, 65.88 ac): HLT applied for Federal funds on 11/27/17, and the Twp. Received Green Light Approval from the SADC on 1/9/18. Since HLT is applying for Federal funds, they will order the 2 appraisals.
- B. **Cernecaro** (B17 L19, 104.08ac): Received clarification from the Highlands Council that the 2, 5-acre severable exceptions Do Not trigger the highlands ordinance overlay.

- C. **Silva Farm** (B10 L43, 97.25ac and B14 L20, 32.99ac): At its Dec 14<sup>th</sup> meeting, the CADB gave preliminary approval to the Silva farm! They requested that the driveway be included in the exception area. Next up is for the Silva's to sign an option agreement followed by the ordering of appraisals. However, the State was questioning whether this farm is in our sewer service area. Sewer issue was resolved on Tuesday, 1/30/18.

**IV. Other Land Preservation:**

- A. **Clark Farm** (B6 L60, 179ac): No Update  
B. **Farmland Preservation Plan:** Our Third draft of the plan update was sent to the County and State on 1/22/18.  
C. **Gen On Energy:** (B26 L10 76.5 ac.) Reviewed river access and railroad crossing.  
D. **IPP:** Jackie will call Stan. Larry met with Michael Margulies.

- V. **2018 Budgets:** Submitted to the CFO on 12/19/17. Larry met with CFO on 12/20/17. She is preparing an ordinance to appropriate \$420,000 for farmland preservation. Final reading expected the end of April.

**VI. Other Business**

- A. The 2018 annual PIG update to the State was submitted on 12/21/17.  
B. **Noise ordinance:** There is a noise ordinance but it's enforced by the county health department.  
C. Ron attended the NOFA NJ Annual Conference.

- VII. **Pipeline Update:** On Jan 19, FERC approved the conditional certificate that will allow PennEast to start the eminent domain process.

**VIII. Public Comment: No Comments**

***Next Meeting: Next Meetings March 1 and April 5<sup>th</sup> 2018 at the Holland Township Municipal Building 6:30 p.m.***

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

**Respectfully Submitted,**

*Heather L. Sorge*

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