

Norman K. Lathbury, Chairman  
Thomas E. Boldin  
Cindy B. Harding  
Carl V. Homan  
Frederick G. Moore



Thomas Songer III  
Joel Myers  
Ronald J. Hoover  
Dennis E. Buffington  
Sarah Walter, Coordinator

## CENTRE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION BOARD

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### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2019

**Present:** N. Lathbury; C. Harding; T. Boldin; C. Homan; F. Moore; T. Songer; R. Hoover;  
D. Buffington

**Staff:** Sarah Walter (Centre County Planning Office)  
Stacy Mann (Centre County Planning Office)  
Mark Higgins (Centre County Commissioner)

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Lathbury at 7:34 p.m.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Carl and seconded by Fred, the Board voted to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2018 meeting as corrected. Minutes of the Meeting of **February 28, 2019** and the next meeting date of **March 28, 2019**. Motion carried.

#### **New Business**

##### Announcement

Sarah informed the board that she has accepted a new position and her last day with Centre County Government will be May 24, 2019.

##### Connelly Survey RFP

Sarah presented the board with the bids for the RFP.

Pennoni	\$4,200
Hawbaker Engineering	\$5,450
Geotech Engineering	\$8,790

On a motion by Tom B. and seconded by Carl, the Board voted to accept the low bid from Pennoni for the Connelly Easement Survey. Motion carried.

##### 2019 PACE Application Evaluations

Sarah presented that board with the new 2019 PACE rankings. Leo & Bernard Corl are back on the list, but may not be eligible for purchase for up to 6 years due to a title issue. Carl noted a possible acreage error on "Homan #3". On a motion by Dennis and seconded by Ron, the Board voted to accept the new ranking list pending review of the Homan's acres. Motion carried.

### 2019 Budget & Easement Purchases

Sarah stated that there is a balance of approximately \$1.5 Million to start allocating in 2019; that is roughly 400-430 acres. On a motion by Carl and seconded by Cindy, the Board voted to authorize stewardship evaluation for the top 8 farms excluding the Connelly's. Motion carried.

### Boggs Township ASA

Sarah reported that Alan Fisher contacted her regarding preserving his farm in Boggs Township. There is presently no ASA in Boggs Township. Sarah gave her presentation to the Boggs Township Supervisors and they are in support of it and are starting through the ASA process and invite other residents to join.

### **Old Business**

#### Easement Status Updates

- Wheland: Sarah stated that it went to State Board in March and we are awaiting the checks in 2-3 months.
- Connelly: Sarah stated that once the survey is completed it will go to State Board in August.

#### Joint ClearWater/CCALPB Proposal (Hess Easement)

Sarah reported that Clearwater submitted the Grant.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for May 23, 2019 in Room 146 of the Willowbank Office Building beginning at 7:30 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

On a motion by Tom S. and seconded by Tom B., the meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Submitted by,

Sarah Walter  
Recording Secretary