



WEBSTER TOWNSHIP

Webster Township Farmland & Open Space Preservation Board

Regular Meeting: August 12, 2019

The Webster Township Farmland & Open Space Preservation Board was called to order by Chair Tom Bloomer at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 12, 2019 at the Webster Township Hall, 5665 Webster Church Road, Dexter, MI 48130.

Members present: Chair Tom Bloomer, members Jerry Nordblom, Julie Frost, John Westman, Linda Hosford and consultant Barry Lonik. Also present, Remy Long, Ann Arbor Greenbelt Advisory Commission Program Manager.

Members absent: none

Approve Minutes

Motion Frost, second Hosford to approve the open and closed session minutes of the WTFOSPB regular meeting of July 8, 2019 as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Chairman's Remarks

Chair Bloomer introduced Remy Long from the Ann Arbor Greenbelt Commission. He reported that staff members from the U.S. Senate Agricultural Committee and U.S. Senator Debbie Stabenow's office visited his farm as part of a preserved farms tour.

Approve Agenda

Motion Nordblom, second Frost to approve the August 12, 2019 agenda as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Call to Public

Remy Long gave a presentation on the City of Ann Arbor Greenbelt Program: Strategic Plan Overview. Following his presentation he solicited input regarding program priorities.

Review Invoices : Motion Frost, second Nordblom to recommend that the BOT approve the payment of the July invoices from Treemore Ecology and Land Services as presented. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried.

Reports:

Township Board

Westman reviewed and answered questions regarding the approved minutes from the July 19, 2019 Board of Trustees meeting.

Consultant

Lonik reported on a Sun Times article regarding a PDR project in Scio Twp. He met with Legacy Land Conservancy representatives regarding potential RCPP projects. Ford-Goldmith is awaiting federal approval but projected to close by August 31st.

Greenbelt

Discussed above

Closed Session:

Motion Nordblom, second Hosford to go into closed session at 7:52 p.m. to discuss confidential applications to the PDR program. Roll call, all ayes, motion carried. Westman did not participate in the closed session due to an ongoing conflict of interest. The preservation board was reconvened in open session by Chair Bloomer at 8:10 p.m.

Old Business

- A. Millage renewal, postponed awaiting survey results.
- B. County millage renewal, no further discussion.

New Business:

No motions required

Correspondence

None

Call to Public

None present

Adjournment

Motion Nordblom, second Hosford to adjourn the meeting. All ayes, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned by Chair Bloomer at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Westman

Member, WTFOSPB