

Kent County Agriculture Preservation Board

Wednesday, November 4, 2020 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Zoom

Approved Minutes

Members Present: Suzie Reinbold (Real Estate Interest), Gretchen Mousel (Conservation Interest

Representative), Russ Slater (Ag Interest), Dan Oesch (Ag Interest), Matt Kallman

(County Commissioner)

Absent: Dennis Heffron (Ag Interest), Ed Robinette (Township Interest),

Staff: Matt Channing, MaryBeth VanTill, Jenn Headrick

I. Welcome and Introductions – Vice Chair Reinbold welcomed everyone to the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

- II. Approval of Minutes A motion was made by Russ Slater to approve the October 2020 minutes. Gretchen Mousel supported. UNANIMOUS
- **III.** There was no public comment.
- IV. PDR 2020 Selection Cycle Matt Channing reported the total applications received and the scores for each application. A motion was made by Russ Slater to approve the Purchase of Development Rights 2020 Selection Cycle Rankings. Vice Chair Reinbold supported. UNANIMOUS. The Board voiced unanimous support.
- V. Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund Matt related that the Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund will be opening applications for grants. The grants will be due December 28th. Matt recommended that the Agricultural Preservation Board direct staff to apply with the Kruithoff property.
- VI. Staff Report Matt informed the board that the contractor managing the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) project will present to the board the initial framework for exploring TDR and connected issues.
- **VII.** Board Member Updates There were no Board updates.

VIII. Adjournment – A motion was made by Gretchen Mousel to adjourn the meeting. Dan Oesch supported. UNANIMOUS

The meeting was adjourned at 11:56 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 2, 2020 11:30 a.m.to 1:00 p.m. Kent County 3rd floor Rm 311