

Kent County Agriculture Preservation Board

Wednesday, December 2, 2020 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Zoom

Approved Minutes

Members Present: Dennis Heffron (Ag Interest), Suzie Reinbold (Real Estate Interest), Ed Robinette

(Township Interest), Gretchen Mousel (Conservation Interest Representative), Russ Slater (Ag Interest), Dan Oesch (Ag Interest), Matt Kallman (County

Commissioner)

Absent: None

Staff: Jenny James, Matt Channing, Jenn Headrick

- I. Welcome and Introductions Chair Heffron welcomed everyone to the meeting at 11:30 a.m.
- II. Approval of Minutes A motion was made by Ed Robinette to approve the November 2020 minutes. Dan Oesch supported. UNANIMOUS
- **III.** There was no public comment.
- IV. PDR 2020 Selection Cycle Matt Channing reported That the Board of Commissioners was going to review the Rankings for the 2020 PDR selection cycle at the meeting on December 3rd.
- **V.** PDR University Matt gave a general overview presentation on conservation easement and tax implications for the training requirement for the State of Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund grant.
- VI. Matt also provided a tentative meeting schedule for the Agricultural Preservation Board for 2021. A motion was made by Vice Chair Reinbold to approve the calendar. Russ Slater supported. UNANIMOUS.
- VII. Staff Report Matt informed the board that He was working on the application for the Agricultural Preservation Fund grant through MDARD.
- VIII. Board Member Updates There were no Board updates.
- **IX.** Adjournment A motion was made by Russ Slater to adjourn the meeting. Gretchen Mousel supported. UNANIMOUS

The meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 11:30 a.m.to 1:00 p.m. Kent County 3rd floor Rm 311