

Greene County Farmland Preservation
Fort Jackson Building, Mezzanine
19 South Washington Street
Waynesburg, PA 15370
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Call to Order

Meeting was called to order May 18, 2009 at 7:05 P.M at Fort Jackson Bldg Mezzanine Conference Room, Waynesburg, PA. Directors present: William Cree III, Chairman; David Shipman, Vice Chairman; Charlie Day, Secretary; and James Willis.
Staff: Laurel Rush, Agricultural Manager.

Public Comments

Reports from Cooperating Agencies and Guests:

Laurel reported that the NRCS office will no longer be located in Greene County. The server files are being transferred to the Fayette Co server. This will affect the work that Laurel does for Farmland Preservation especially the mapping. The physical move will probably occur in the next two weeks.

Discussion of Staff Reports:

Laurel reported that she attended the PFPA spring meeting. Many topics were covered including the budget and oil and gas issues in relation to Farmland Preservation. The proposed State budget could include cuts to the State office staff.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved

Motion **Dave**
2nd **Charlie**

Approved

Treasurer's Report

Opening Balance	\$	73.25	
Deposits	\$	0.00	
Withdrawals	\$	50.00	PFPA dues
Closing Balance	\$	23.25	

Motion **Dave**
2nd **Jim**

Approved

Correspondence:

The Pennsylvania Farmland Preservation Association (PFPA) dues are \$50 to be a voting member. To confirm a phone vote a motion was made to pay the dues at the \$50 level.

Motion **Jim**
2nd **Charlie**

Approved

Old Business:

Washington Township ASA: The Workshop was held, approximately 20-25 people attended. On May 15 the modification period for the interim review began. It will be open until June 15. The process is moving forward and by September 2009 this should be sorted out and recorded correctly.

The GreeneSpeak had a follow-up article about the Washington Twp ASA, Laurel is going to write a few corrections for Cindy Bailey to print in the next edition.

Petery Farm: We received the Petery's appraisal fee to begin the title search process.

William Milesky Farm Application: Nothing new

New Business:

June 11 State Board meeting: Laurel is going to attend. A Pulitzer Prize winning author is going to speak at the roundtable after the meeting.

Separate Bank Account for the Board: Laurel is going to see what options are available at the local banks. The Farmland Preservation Board is under the County's EIN #. Laurel will also check with the adjacent counties and how they handle their accounts.

Next meeting: June 15, 2009 @ 7 P.M @ Fort Jackson Building, Mezzanine Conference Room.

Adjournment 7:30 PM

Motion	Jim
2nd	Charlie