



FREDERICK COUNTY GOVERNMENT

DIVISION OF PLANNING & PERMITTING

Department of Development Review & Planning

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Agricultural Preservation Advisory Board

Minutes of Monday, May 20th, 2019

Approved 6/24/2019

Members Present: Samuel Tressler III, Vice Chair; Dick Bittner, Paul Spurrier, Eric Troxell

Members Absent: Richard Grossnickle, Chair

Staff Present: Anne Bradley, Program Administrator; Shannon O'Neil, Planner I

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Tressler at 7:01 p.m.

I. Minutes

A. Minutes from April 29, 2019

Staff presented the minutes from the April 29, 2019 meeting for approval. Mr. Spurrier made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Bittner seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Vote: **Yea 4** **Nay 0** **Absent 1**

II. IPP

A. Burgee Land Swap (IPP#15-03)

Anne Bradley presented a request from Potomac Edison for a land swap on the Burgee farm. At the time of the easement, a 3.12-acre ROW was left out of the easement for Potomac Edison to use to access an adjacent property. Potomac Edison is now developing that adjacent property and is requesting to change the location of the ROW to be closer to the property boundary. The new proposed ROW would result in an additional .15 acres in the Burgee easement. Staff recommended approval of the request.

Mr. Bittner made a motion to approve the Burgee land swap request resulting in an additional 0.15-acres in the Burgee easement. Mr. Troxell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Vote: **Yea 4** **Nay 0** **Absent 1**

B. Allowable Uses Table for IPP Easements

Anne Bradley presented a draft IPP Allowable Uses Table for the Board's review and discussion. The Board reviewed the draft table and suggested edits. They

directed staff to make the proposed edits and bring the table back to the Board for another review.

III. Program Status Reports

A. MALPF

Staff reported that the Planning Commission will review the 12 MALPF applications recommended by the Board at their 6/12/2019 meeting.

B. IPP

Staff reported that the Green stream overlay easement is being held up by the County Attorney's office. This is the first such overlay easement requested in the IPP and the County Attorney's would like to review additional documents before sending the recommendation to the County Executive.

C. Critical Farms

Staff reported that the next deadline for the Critical Farms program is May 31, 2019.

D. MARBIDCO Next Generation

Staff reported that the next deadline for the Next Generation program will be July 31, 2019.

E. CREP

Staff reported that the Soil Conservation District has been on hold issuing new CREP contracts since the new Farm Bill was adopted.

Vice Chair Tressler adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.