



ACME TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION
CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Monday, February 20, 2012 1:00 p.m.
Acme Township Hall
6042 Acme Road, Williamsburg MI 49690

Meeting called to Order at 1:05 p.m.

Members present: B. Garvey, B.Carstens
Members excused: None
Staff present: S. Vreeland, Township Manager
P. Kilkenny, Zoning Administrator/Planner
B. Bourdages, Farmland Preservation
M. McDonough, GTRLC
N. Edwardson, Recording Secretary
Also present: K. Engle, R. Sayler, C. Walter, D. Hoxsie, N. Veliquette and G. Lapointe

1. **Limited Public Comment:** None

2. **Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2012 meeting:**
Motion by Garvey. Seconded by Carstens to approve the meeting minutes from January 18, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Old Business :**
Carstens asked if the letter put on the table just prior to the meeting should be included in correspondence. Bourdages said we will handle that as old business. He said in the minutes from the last meeting there was a motion made requesting two things to happen. One that the Veliquettes be send a letter thanking them for their interest in Round I PDR'S applications, and stating that at this time we are not interested in changing the agricultural preservation zone and secondly a letter to the county asking them to remove the parcel and make an adjustment on the scoring.

4. **New Business:**
Review Round I PDR's currently in process: Continuation of discussion from last month's meeting.
Bourdages handed out a copy of the **Farmland Development Rights Program** Grant proposed payments. This chart was estimated cash flow for 2011-2014.

Review the county scoring of the Round 11 applications: Discussion

MOTION BY CARSTENS. SECONDED BY GARVEY FOR THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO APPROVE AND ADOPT ROUND 11 PDR'S APPLICATION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Discussing the impact of oil and gas leasing on PDR eligibility/implementations:
Bourdages reviewed the history of oil and gas leasing. Discussion followed.
A copy of a **Conservation Easement**, Acme Township Agricultural Purchase of Development Rights program, was handed out.

Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.