1. **Call to Order**

   Chairwoman Melba Matthews called the April 24, 2018 meeting of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board (ALPB) to order at 2:12 pm, in room 250, Chester County Government Services Center.

   The following Board Members were in attendance: Melba Matthews, Eli Silberman, Richard Abbott, Bill Covaleski, Amy McKenna, and Duane Hershey.

   Staff: William Gladden, Geoff Shellington, Mason Gilbert, Evan Martin, Caroline Fritschle, and Linda Williams.

2. **Public Comment**

   There was no public comment.

3. **Approval of Minutes**

   The Board meeting minutes from February 27, 2018 were approved. Motioned by Amy McKenna, Eli Silberman seconds. Motion Carries.

4. **Board Appreciation**

   Bill Gladden informed the Board that based on the offers authorized at the last meeting and the offers accepted since then, over 40,000 acres and 512 farms have been protected or are under agreement since the first farm was preserved by the County in 1990. He noted how much their service is appreciated by County Commissioners, the staff, the farm owners, public and all of our partners. Complimentary refreshments were provided as a small token of appreciation for the generous donation of their time and the integrity, collegiality, and diligence with which they execute their duties.

5. **State Ag Easement Status**

   **2015 Round**

   Hawthorne, Judson & Stayce – Offer Accepted – West Fallowfield Township

   Pearson, Dean – Settled Easement – West Nottingham Township

   **2016 Round**

   Fisher, Christian – Settled Easement – Elk Township

   Handy, William – Offer Accepted – Valley Township

   Hutchison Farms – Offer Accepted – Penn Township

   McElhenny, David – Offer Accepted – Honey Brook Township

   **Meister, Carl – Offer Accepted – West Bradford Township**

   Neal, Frank – Settled Easement – West Caln Township

   Newswanger, Larry – Offer Accepted – Sadsbury Township

   Schulz, Robert – Offer Accepted – Franklin Township

   Stoltzfus, Christian – Offer Accepted – Honey Brook Township

   Umble, Ken – Offer Accepted – West Sadsbury Township

   Walton Farms – Offer Accepted – West Fallowfield Township

   Westlake Land Company – Settled Easement – Honey Brook Township
2017 Round

Astle, Arthur – Offer Accepted – Lower Oxford Township
Buchanan, Sherry – Offer Accepted – Elk Township
Glenroy & Glennockie – Offer Extended – Lower Oxford, East and West Nottingham Townships

L&T Landholdings – Offer Accepted – Penn Township
Helfferich, William – Offer Accepted – Warwick Township
Moore, James – Offer Accepted – East Nantmeal Township
Reyburn, Holly #1 – Offer Accepted – Upper Oxford Township
Reyburn, Holly #2 – Offer Accepted – Upper Oxford Township
Roberts, Ken – Offer Accepted – London Britain Township
Rohrer, Gerald – Offer Accepted – Upper Oxford Township
Stoltzfus, Benuel – Offer Accepted – West Caln Township
Stoltzfus, Henry & Sadie – Offer Extended – Honey Brook Township
Stoltzfus, John et al. – Offer Accepted – Franklin Township
Stoltzfus, Jonas & Lizzie – Offer Accepted – Honey Brook Township
Trzcinski/Camphill – Offer Accepted – West Vincent Township
Tupitza, James – Board Review – Newlin Township
Waltz, David – Offer Accepted – West Fallowfield Township
Werner, John – Offer Accepted – West Nantmeal Township

6. Challenge Grant Program – Status Report

None

7. Executive Session

Real Estate: Appraisals (1)

8. Updates and Other Business

None

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:39 pm. Eli Silberman motions, Rick Abbott seconds the motion. Motion carries.

10. Next Meeting – May 22, 2018 at 2:00 PM in Room 250 – GSC