

Jefferson County Farmland Protection Board Meeting

Monday, May 12th, 2025 – 7:00PM

JCDA Conference Room 1948 Wiltshire Rd, Kearneysville, WV

MINUTES

In Attendance: Julia Yuhasz, Neill Banks, Glen Hetzel, Kevin Snyder, Krista Hoffman, Jason Adams (Director)

Absent with notice: Erik Berndt, Absent w/o notice: Steve Stolipher (County Commission)

Call to Order Julia Yuhasz, President, called meeting to order at 7:04 pm

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings (April 14)

Dr. Hetzel moved to accept the April meeting minutes. Mr. Banks seconded. The motion carried unanimously

Approval of Treasurer's Report: (April)

Dr. Hetzel moved to accept the April Treasurer's Report. Mr. Banks seconded. The motion was amended to instruct the director to open a new certificate of deposit (CDARS) with the Bank of Charles Town. The motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Report

Old Business:

1. Discussion and possible action for restoration of Property 40

*This may include executive session to discuss pending litigation per West Virginia Code | §6-9A-4

Mr. Banks motioned to enter executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Dr. Hetzel seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. Ms.

Hoffman moved to leave executive session. Mr. Snyder seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Yuhasz motioned to instruct counsel to draft a letter to LTEP requesting mediation in the restoration of Property 40. Dr. Hetzel seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

New Business:

1. Discussion and possible action concerning funding for FY 2025-01, 2025-03, and 2025-04 applications

The Board requested this agenda item be moved to the June meeting to allow more time for 3rd party funding awards.

2. Discussion and possible action to update the FY2026 Application

Ms. Yuhasz moved to approve the updated FY2026 JCFPB Application. Mr. Banks seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action offering easement holders and applicants information about agricultural economic opportunities.

The Board determined that it could not include that information in the application but would consider other additional agricultural economic information pamphlets on a case-by-case basis as separate items.

4. Consider for approval FY2025 Monitoring Reports

Ms. Yuhasz moved to approve FY2025 monitoring reports. Mr. Banks seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Adjourn

Ms. Banks moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Yuhasz seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:52 pm

