



Pennsylvania Farmland Preservation Association

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**Investing in the Future of Agriculture
Engaging and Empowering Municipal Officials**
Thursday, May 7, 2015- 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

8:30 Registration

Breakfast is available in the meeting room from 8:30 - 10:00

9:30 Welcome, Introductions, Recognitions and Milestones Matt Knepper

9:35 Welcome Russell Redding, Secretary of Agriculture

9:50 Welcome Randy Phiel, Chairman
Adams County Commissioners

10:00 Business Meeting

A. Opening

1. Call to Order and Poll of Voting Members.....Sarah Walter

B. Business Agenda Items

1. Minutes of Fall 2014 MeetingSarah Walter

3. Treasurer's Report Cindy Kahley

4. Membership Report Cindy Sanderson

5. Committee Reports

Public Relations Committee Donna Fisher

Ag Progress Days..... Cindy Kahley

Conference Committee Report Ellen Dayhoff

Fall 2015 (Lancaster County) Spring 2016 (State College in conjunction with PALTA)

Fall 2016 (Somerset County) Future Special Meetings TBD

Policy Committee Matt Knepper

Executive Committee Wrap-up Matt Knepper

C. Old Business Matt Knepper

1. Conference Policy Ellen Dayhoff

D. New Business..... Matt Knepper

11:00 PA Dept of Ag Update..... Doug Wolfgang, Stephanie Zimmerman

PA Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Farmland Protection

12:00 Lunch

The Official Business Meeting will remain open until the end of the day, permitting action on any issues...

~ Afternoon Session ~

- 1:00 Welcome and Introductions Matt Knepper, President
- 1:05 American Farmland Trust..... Jim Baird, Mid Atlantic Director
Land Trust Alliance Kevin Case, NE Regional Director
- 1:15 ***“Planning for Conserving PA Agriculture”***
Speakers:
Neal Fogle, Penn State Extension
John Truack, Penn State Extension
- 2:45 Break – *Refreshments will be available*
- 3:00 ***“Municipal Involvement in Preservation”- A Panel Discussion***
Moderator: Matt Knepper
Speakers:
Maria Bentzoni, Northampton County Farmland Preservation
Angie Foltz, Lebanon County Land Preservation
Rich Harvey, Bucks County Ag Land Preservation
Jeff Marshall, Heritage Conservancy
- 4:30 Wrap-up, Adjourn Business Meeting and **DOOR PRIZES!** Matt Knepper

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