



# DEXTER TOWNSHIP

## FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD

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### REGULAR MEETING OF THE FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION BOARD

**Thursday, January 8, 2026**

Present: Chairperson Kathy Bradbury; Secretary Scott Joling; Township Board Rep Michelle Stamboulellis; Marty Ruhlig, Mark Teicher, Joseph Spiegel, and Brenda Donaldson.

Absent: None.

Also present: FOSP Board Consultant Barry Lonik, and Recording Secretary Janis Miller.

1. **Call to Order:** Chairperson Bradbury called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.
2. **Roll Call/Conflict of Interest:** No conflicts of interest.
3. **Approval of Agenda:**  
*Motion by Stamboulellis, supported by Teicher, to approve the agenda as presented.  
Unanimous voice vote approval.*
4. **Approval of Minutes:**  
Regular Meeting minutes – December 4, 2025  
*Motion by Teicher, supported by Joling, to approve the meeting minutes of December 4, 2026, as presented. Unanimous voice vote approval.*  
Closed Session minutes – December 4, 2025  
*Motion by Teicher, supported by Spiegel, to approve the Closed Session meeting minutes of December 4, 2026 as presented. Unanimous voice vote approval.*  
Special Meeting minutes – December 15, 2026  
*Motion by Stamboulellis, supported by Ruhlig, to approve the meeting minutes of December 15, 2025 as presented. Unanimous voice vote approval.*  
Special meeting Closed Session minutes – December 15, 2026  
*Motion by Teicher, supported by Stamboulellis, to approve the Closed Session meeting minutes of December 15, 2025 as presented. Unanimous voice vote approval*
5. **Public Comment – 1<sup>st</sup> call:** (non-agenda items)  
Opened 7:13 PM. No public present, no public comments.
6. **Open Session Consultant's Report:** Barry Lonik  
A) RCPP  
Over a year ago an application for matching funds was submitted. Funding was

rescinded by the current administration. Legacy Land Conservancy appealed the verdict and won. Jurisdictions can now apply again for the funds.

B) PA 116

Consultant Barry Lonik drafted the legislation which consisted of six bills. Both programs, PA 116 and land conservation, work cooperatively. The legislation was passed into law.

**7. Enter Closed Session:**

*Motion by Teicher, supported by Spiegel, to move into closed session under Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act, to confer with consultant Lonik regarding confidential status of property applicants.*

*Roll Call Vote: Yes – Stamboulellis, Teicher, Spiegel, Bradbury, Joling, Donaldson, Ruhlig; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carries.*

The Board entered Closed Session at 7:23 PM.

*Motion by Joling, supported by Spiegel, to return to Open Public Meeting. Unanimous voice vote approval.*

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:24 PM.

*Motion by Stamboulellis, supported by Teicher, that the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board recommends to the Dexter Township Board of Trustees an expenditure not to exceed \$3,500 for an appraisal of property 2025-1.*

*Roll Call Vote: Yes – Stamboulellis, Teicher, Spiegel, Bradbury, Joling, Donaldson, Ruhlig; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carries.*

*Motion by Spiegel, supported by Stamboulellis, that the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board recommend to the Dexter Township Board of Trustees an expenditure not to exceed \$3,500 for an appraisal of property 2025-2.*

*Roll Call Vote: Yes – Stamboulellis, Teicher, Spiegel, Bradbury, Joling, Donaldson, Ruhlig; Nays – None; Absent – None. Motion carries.*

**8. Public Comment – 2<sup>nd</sup> call:** Opened 8:125PM. No public comments.

**10. Other Issues, Comments and Concerns of Board Members and Staff:**

**Election of Officers will be on the February Agenda.**

**Teicher** – He wanted to publicly thank Guerin Wilkinson for his service on the FOSP Board. He also wanted to welcome Brenda Donaldson.

**11. Adjournment:**

Motion by Joling, supported by Spiegel, to adjourn at 8:29 PM.  
Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scott Joling, Secretary

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Janis Miller, Recording Secretary

*Next meeting of the Farmland and Open Space Preservation Board is February 5, 2026*