

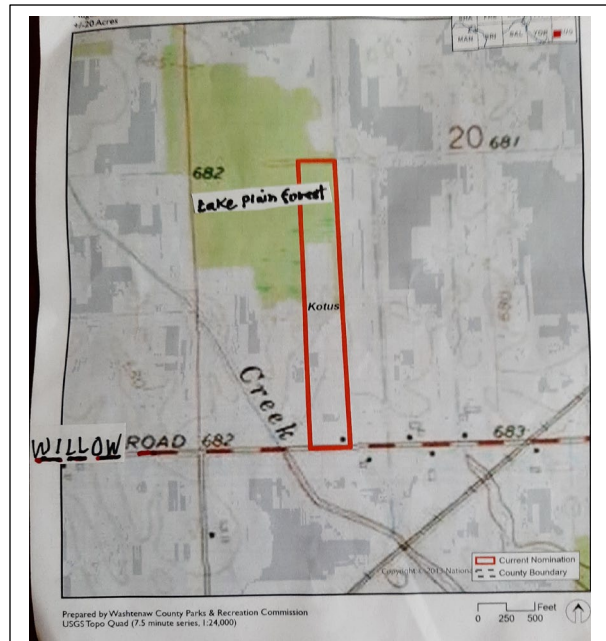
Farmland Preservation Board Meeting

Thursday, September 9, 2021, **3:00 P.M.** Township Hall

Draft Agenda

1. Call to order:
2. Public Comment.
3. Review of June Meeting notes
4. Treasurer's report
5. Augusta Township landowner application to County NAP program, with discussion of ways our committee might participate.
6. Clarification of procedures & purpose of ACT's millage money.
7. Update for Davidson Trust application
8. Other items from members
9. Adjournment.

NOTES:



Kotus Property: +/- 20 acres
Natural Areas Preservation Program
Nomination ID 21.334; Augusta Township

"Working Mission Statement": To support active farming and the rural character in Augusta Township through education, networking and implementation of the Purchase of Development Rights Ordinance.

Augusta Charter Township
8021 Talladay Road
Whittaker MI 48190

FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD MINUTES

Thursday June 10, 2021

1. Sue Jantschak called the meeting to order at 3:06pm. In person meeting was convened in the modular. Safety protocols were followed, non vaccinated persons were required to wear proper face masks.
2. Roll Call: Present, Sue Jantschak, Wes Mallonen, Belynda Domas, Liz Waffle, Dr. Sylvia Taylor and Susan Burek. Absent, none.
3. Public comment, there were no public comments.
4. Motion by Jantschak, 2nd by Domas to approve the March 11, 2021, Farmland Preservation Board Minutes. Motion passed, all ayes.
5. Treasurer's Report – Revenue and Expense and Balance Sheet financial statements as of June 10 were provided and discussed. Motion by Domas, 2nd by Jantschak to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented by Burek. Motion passed, all ayes.
6. Selto and Karnatz Farm Agreement Update – The Participation Agreement has been reviewed, modified, and approved by Augusta Township's attorney Victor Illich. Susan Burek, Augusta Township Treasurer, will make the following motion at the June 22, Augusta Township Board of Trustee's meeting:

"Motion to receive and file the attached Participation Agreement between Augusta Charter Township, Washtenaw County, and the Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Commission to participate together in the purchase of a conservation easement of approximately 118 acres of vacant land owned by Jeffrey and Ronda Seltor and Karnatz Farm. Augusta Township portion remains \$50,000 as originally approved on November 12, 2019."

7. Discussion occurred regarding the current program's scoring process. There were three applicants in 2020 from Augusta Township. None of them were selected. One scoring criteria involves the townships Master Plan. Motion by Domas, 2nd by Burek, to reach out to Augusta Township Planner Laura Kreps. Inform Laura Kreps that Elizabeth Brost BrostE@michigan.gov knows what language need to be in the Master Plan to be eligible for MDARD's farmland preservation/purchase of developments rights program. Motion passed, all ayes.

8. Drew Vielbig from Ranger Power gave an extensive presentation at the March 11, 2021, Farmland Preservation Board meeting explaining and outlining the Railsplitter Solar Project proposed project in Augusta Township. Motion by Jantschak, 2nd by Burek to submit a Letter of Support to Augusta Township Planning Commission and send Ranger Power a copy as well. Motion passed all ayes.
9. A request was made that the Augusta Township Website be updated. The Farmland Preservation Board members would like their email addresses to be listed so residents can easily reach them. Domas will submit this request.
10. Augusta Township Farmland Preservation Board meeting Adjourned at 4:22pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Sue Jantschak, Chairperson

Belynda Domas, Secretary

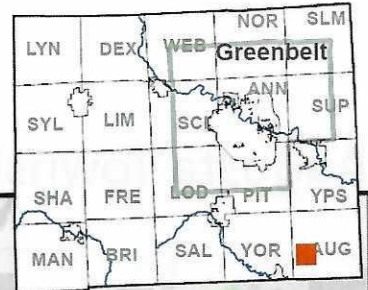
GL NUMBER	DESCRIPTION	YTD BALANCE	2021-22	AVAILABLE	% BDGT
		08/31/2021		BALANCE	
		NORMAL (ABNORMAL	AMENDED BUDGET	NORMAL (ABNORMAL	
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Fund 251 - FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND					
000		23.57	51,600.00	51,576.43	0.05
TOTAL REVENUES		<hr/> 23.57	<hr/> 51,600.00	<hr/> 51,576.43	<hr/> 0.05
250 - FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD (FPB)		0.00	51,000.00	51,000.00	0.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<hr/> 0.00	<hr/> 51,000.00	<hr/> 51,000.00	<hr/> 0.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<hr/> 0.00	<hr/> 51,000.00	<hr/> 51,000.00	<hr/> 0.00
NET OF REVENUES & EXPENDITURES		<hr/> 23.57	<hr/> 600.00	<hr/> 576.43	<hr/> 3.93
BEG. FUND BALANCE		115,814.01	115,814.01		
END FUND BALANCE		115,837.58	116,414.01		

Fund 251 FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND

GL Number	Description	Balance
*** Assets ***		
251-000-001.010	POOLED CASH	116,695.28
Total Assets		116,695.28
*** Liabilities ***		
251-000-338.000	DEFERRED REVENUE	857.70
Total Liabilities		857.70
*** Fund Balance ***		
251-000-390.000	Fund Balance	115,814.01
Total Fund Balance		115,814.01
Beginning Fund Balance		115,814.01
Net of Revenues VS Expenditures		23.57
Ending Fund Balance		115,837.58
Total Liabilities And Fund Balance		116,695.28

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Washtenaw County
Locator Map



Kotus Property: Local Area

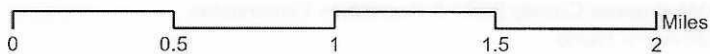
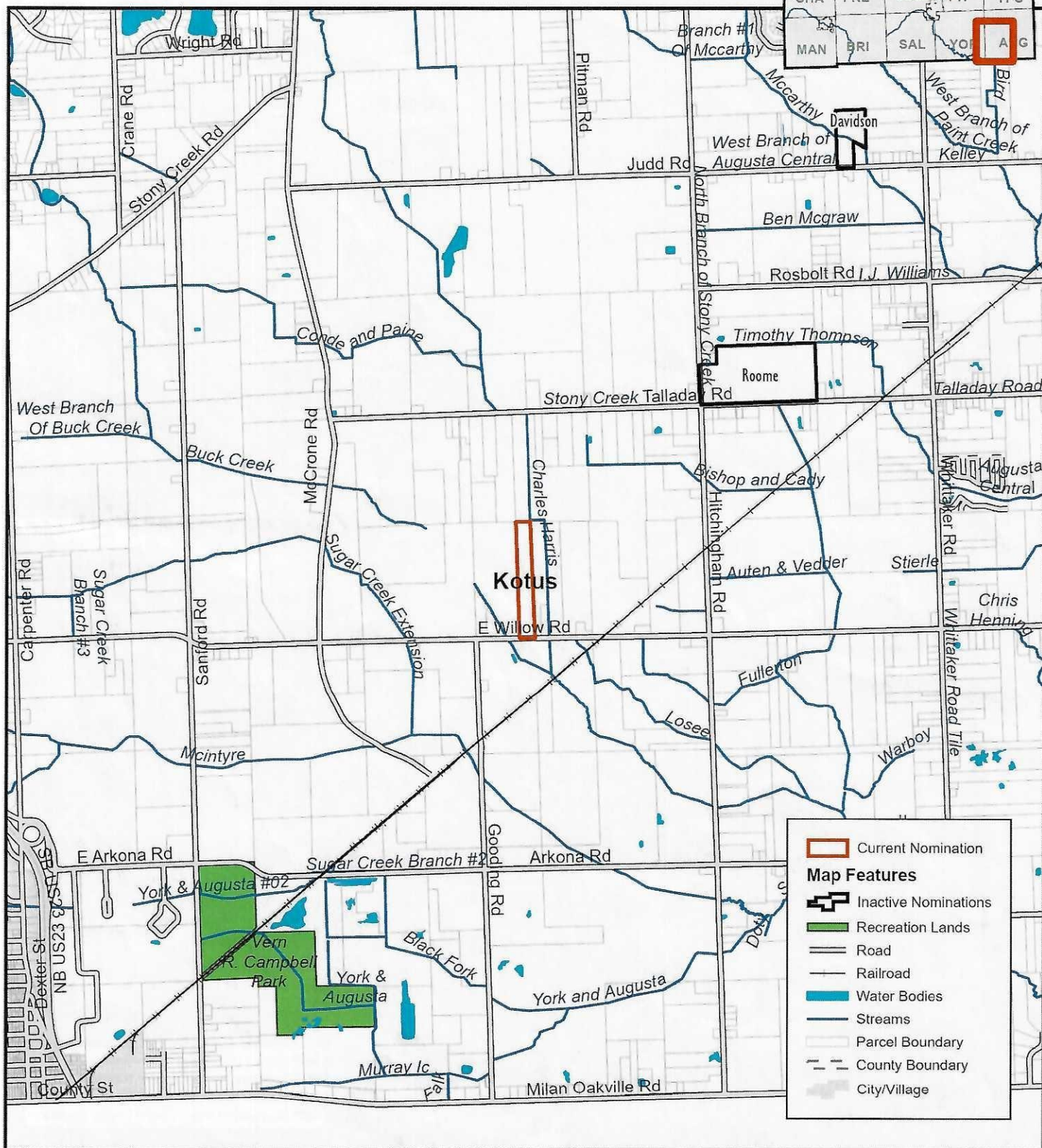
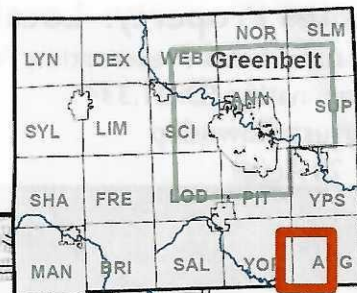
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August 2016

AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP - 1 PROPOSAL AUGUSTA CHARTER TOWNSHIP FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE LAND PRESERVATION MILLAGE QUESTION Shall Augusta Charter Township impose an increase of 0.1 mill (10¢ per \$1,000 of taxable value) in the tax limitation imposed under Article IX, Sec. 6 of the Michigan Constitution and levy it for ten (10) years, 2016 through 2025 inclusive, to permanently preserve farmland, open space, wildlife habitat and scenic views, protect drinking water sources and the water quality of rivers and streams, and construct and maintain new parks, recreational areas and trails by voluntarily purchasing land or interests in land within the Township, raising an estimated \$20,107.47 in 2016?