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Farmland Protection Program Durham Soil and Water Conservation District DPS Hub Farm 117 Milton Rd Durham, NC 27712

Meeting Number: 9 (Farmland Advisory Board) Date: November 10, 2016

Advisory Board Present:

Others Present:

Neil Frank- Chairman Will Wilson- Vice Chair Samantha Gasson- At Large Neal Curran- Business Representative Douglas Daye- Flat River VAD Lisa Marochak- Soil & Water Mike Dupree- Soil & Water Jennifer Brooks- Soil & Water Jane Korest-Open Space Nicole Connelly- DFFN Matthew Kinane- NRCS Allen Brimer- citizen

The regular monthly meeting of the Farmland Protection Advisory Board was held on Thursday, November 10, 2016 and called to order at 10:06am by the Chairman. The meeting was held at 117 Milton Rd., Durham, NC 27712.

- 1. August & September Minutes Tabled until next meeting (didn't have a quorum).
- 2. Membership-
 - Nicole Connelly is interested in joining the Farmland Board. Lisa Marochak will send her an application.
- 3. Ag Development Coordinator- Mike Dupree reported on the following:
- 4. Easement update- Jane Korest reported on the following:
 - Receive notice that all 4 Federal applications (total of 200 acres) that were submitted this year have been approved.
 - Still working on farm. Will complete by March.
 - Will start advertising for Wendy's position next week.

5. Farmers Market update-

Will Wilson gave an update on the Durham Roots Farmer's Market.

- There is only 2 more markets this year
- **Vendors** They have 4-6 vendors now but room for 29. The Durham Roots Farmers Market would like to increase the number of vendors by having non board vendors that are in the watershed, but might be out of the county. Only members that live in the County will have voting rights.
- 6. Incubator Farm Subcommittee- Jane Korest reported on the following:
 - The subcommittee is thinking about doing a survey to find out who might be interested in an Incubator Farm and what their needs are.

Next Meeting– December 15, 2016 at 721 Foster St, Durham, NC 27701 (second floor conference room)

Adjourn – With no further discussion or business, Chairman, Neil Frank adjourned the meeting at 10:45 am.

Neil Frank Chair December 15, 2016 Date approved