## MINUTES EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PUBLIC HEARING TIPTON PROPERTY NOVEMBER 2, 2005

The Public Hearing of the East Nottingham Township Board of Supervisors was held in the Township Building on November 2, 2005. Those present were: Chairman Thomas J. Olivieri, Vice-Chairman Samuel A. Goodley Jr., Supervisor Charles D. Shelton, Township Manager Eugene P. Boneker, Solicitor Winifred M. Sebastian, Secretary Pat Brady and numerous guests.

Opening of Hearing-The Hearing was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Olivieri and then turned over to Solicitor Winifred M. Sebastian.

Solicitor Sebastian stated the guidelines for the Hearing are one speaker at a time and each speaker to identify themselves.

Solicitor Sebastian stated the purpose of the hearing is to present information on the property owned by Frank and Wilma Tipton located at 109 Media Road and identified at tax parcel number 69-7-108.4 consisting of 50.747 acres, which is located partially in East Nottingham Township located at the above tax parcel number and partially in Elk Township. The County of Chester has proposed to purchase an agricultural conservation easement on the property and East Nottingham Township proposes to join in that open space easement, for the purposes of agricultural preservation. The purchase price for the agricultural easement for the portion located in East Nottingham Township shall be divided equally by East Nottingham Township and by the County of Chester subject to East Nottingham Township's complying with the provision of statues controlling conservation easements and earned income tax provisions adopted by referendum by the citizens of East Nottingham Township. The proposed price of the easement for East Nottingham Township's portion is \$247,848.75. In exchange for the payment of those funds from the earned income tax funds either directly or through debt service, the Township would acquire a permanent easement restricting the land to agricultural use in perpetuity. East Nottingham Township will not be responsible to pay for any easement for the portion of the property located in Elk Township.

Solicitor Sebastian asked if anyone was here to represent Frank and Wilma Tipton. No response was received.

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<u>Public Comment</u>- Rick Leibold stated that he sold the property to Frank and Wilma Tipton and is not receiving any proceeds from the program.

Vice-Chairman Goodley stated that when Dr.Shankar died, the property went on the market. Through the efforts of Rick Leibold and FrankTipton the property is being kept as a farm.

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Vice-Chairman Goodley also stated that contrary to information in the newspapers, he does not have any financial connection to Rick Leibold.

Motion made by Chairman Olivieri seconded by Vice-Chairman Goodley to adjourn the hearing at 6:52 P.M..

Respectfully Submitted,

Pat Brady, Secretary

Thomas J. Olivieri

Chairman

Samuel A. Goodley Jr.

Vice-Chairman

Charles D. Shelton

Supervisor