

**EAST NOTTINGHAM TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PUBLIC HEARING RECORD
August 11, 2008**

The East Nottingham Township Board of Supervisors held a public hearing in the Township Building on August 11, 2008. Those present were: Vice-Chairman Michael P. Miller, Supervisor Percy Reynolds, Supervisor Gene Turns, Supervisor Charles D. Shelton, Treasurer Suzanne Hamlin, Zoning Officer P.J. Scheese, Secretary Pat Brady, Solicitor Helen Esbenshade, Planning Commission Chairman Joe Bauer and guests.

The hearing was called to order promptly at 7:30 P.M. by Vice-Chairman Michael P. Miller.

Vice-Chairman Miller read the hearing notice advertised in the Daily Local News and turned the hearing over to Helen Esbenshade, solicitor. Reference was made to publication of notice of the hearing in the Daily Local News on July 28, 2008 and August 4, 2008.

Solicitor Helen Esbenshade stated the purpose of the hearing was to present information on property owned by Samuel J. Null and Mary Ann McBerty (tax parcel #69-8-6), over a 40.4 acre portion of which the County of Chester and East Nottingham Township are considering acquiring an agricultural conservation easement pursuant to the Challenge Grant Program administered by the County. The Township's proposed purchase is subject to compliance with the Pennsylvania statutes controlling conservation easements and the earned income tax provisions adopted by referendum by the citizens of East Nottingham. In exchange for payment of the purchase price for the easement from earned income tax funds either directly or through debt service, the Township, together with the County, would acquire a permanent easement restricting the land to agricultural use in perpetuity. The open space benefit is to protect and conserve farmland in the Township.

The proposed purchase price for the East Nottingham Township portion is \$209,013.07.

Solicitor Esbenshade asked if anyone was here to represent the property owners to no response.

There were no comments or questions from the Board of Supervisors.

There were no comments or questions from members of the public present.

