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Preservation of White's Mill is still uncertain

Man proposes undertaking repairs

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SALFORD TWP. — White's Mill has survived another round with the supervisors, who continue to consider prospects to spare the historic site.

Mike Hart, of the Foundation for Historic Building Rescue, proposed a plan whereby the remaining structures — including the 18th-century mill and house — would be donated or leased to him.

His company would then commit to making the

buildings structurally safe again and preserving them as tourist attractions.

The supervisors had voted last month to demolish the buildings because of safety concerns and vandalism. But Hart objected, and the board allowed him to submit a proposal.

Hart's plan would cost approximately \$125,000 — all paid by Hart.

But Hart said he will not do it without the full approval of the board.

"I'm not going to fight a decrepit building and a

Board of Supervisors," he said.

Hart has one month to make a formal proposal that covers all details before the board attempts to get the motion passed.

Supervisor Lawrence G. Anderson said he's still not sure whether the township will accept Hart's proposal.

"I don't think we have the ability or the right to transfer the deed to any private owner who could make a profit off of it," Anderson said.