

Ag Advisory Committee Minutes for August 1, 2013

Meeting called to order at 7:40pm with Chester Urbanski, Dave Miller and Bill Kiriluk present. Absent were Greg Sappington and Township Committee liaison Tom Molnar. Betty Jane Hunt was excused.

Minutes from the June 6, 2013 meeting were approved with no changes.

There were no minutes from the April 4, 2013 meeting. These minutes will be provided for approval at our next scheduled meeting.

As an update to West Amwell's involvement in Hunterdon County's 300th anniversary celebration, Betty Jane's email of July 19th was read to the Committee: "A tour of the Fulper Farm is scheduled with the County for July 12, 2014 from 9:30-4. Marcia(Karrow) is in charge of it. There is another South County Farm on the tour that day also but I don't know what one."

We discussed the Sustainable Jersey Grant which the Environmental Commission/Green Team received to work on Conservation Easements with the help of the Open Space Committee. They are producing a map to include all farmland preserved properties, open space and easements within the township.

We discussed the possibility of mailing copies of this map to all residents in the township, since most residents are not aware of what has been preserved. The members all agreed that this would be a worthwhile endeavor, if we can keep this within our budget.

We also discussed the possibility of including in with the mailing, an updated list of the trifold "Farm Products For Sale In West Amwell", which was distributed at local businesses last year.

The committee discussed possible farms for future preservation, if funding is available. Farms discussed were: Runkle (Mt. Airy), Runkle (Route 179), Dawn Serio, Rock Road East Farms, Kiriluk and Miller.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Minutes prepared by Chester Urbanski