

Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

April 2, 2015

Attendance:

Betty Jane Hunt, Bill Kiriluk, Chester Urbanski, and Township Committee liaison, John Dale were present.

Excused: Greg Sappington, Heidi Tomenchok.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Note : February and March meetings for 2015 were cancelled due to circumstances and bad weather.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of January 29, 2015 were approved.

Business:

Proposed preservation of Holcombe III, Block 11, Lots 1 and 1.01 was discussed. Color map from NJ GeoWeb was reviewed. Some members were concerned as to the preservation of the existing cell tower on the property, as it is a commercial use. There was also concern as to the size of the property and its possible development potential.

It was brought out that Open Space funds might be withdrawn by the state if there is no allocation for the current funding.

Since the AAC will need to provide its approval for the preservation of the Holcombe property, AAC members will inspect the property on Monday, April 6, at 1 pm.

Betty Jane Hunt, Bill Kiriluk, and Chester Urbanski have volunteered.

Open Space Vice Chairman, Hal Shute is expected to attend.

SADC comments to FERC (Federal Energy Regulatory Commission) – re: pipeline intrusion on preserved farmland in the ADA (Agricultural Development Area. Paper copies distributed. Comments discussed.

Update on proposed Farmers Market with East Amwell. – East Amwell does have an Agricultural Advisory Committee. The Committee, however, is presently without members. We will plan to pursue this in the future when new members have been appointed.

Toll North and Lambert – Freeholders voted for preservation of Toll North and preservation efforts continue. Lambert is also in the process of being preserved.

Acting Secretaries:

May – Greg

June – Heidi

July – Betty Jane

Meeting adjourned 7:55 pm.

Our next regularly scheduled meeting is Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Chester Urbanski