

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
30 Schuyler Place, 4th Floor, Morristown, New Jersey
June 14, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 7:41 p.m. Members present:

Aimee Ashley Myers
Thomas Galfo
Jay Thomson

Members with an excused absence:

Rick Desiderio
Gregory Keller
Harvey Ort

Also in Attendance:

William Asdal (departed at 7:45 p.m.)

Staff in attendance:

Christine Marion
W. Randall Bush, Esq.
Katherine Coyle

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

Chairman Davis announced that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of the meeting had been provided and filed with the Town of Morristown, the Morris County Clerk, the Daily Record and the Star Ledger.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Thomson, the Board members approved the April 12, 2018 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: Galfo

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

RIGHT TO FARM

Alstede Farms, Chester Township – Request for SSAMP.

Mr. Bush informed the Board that he had submitted a request to the Local Finance Board (LFB) per the CADB's May meeting discussion. The LFB had acknowledged receipt of the request, however, a decision had not yet been rendered.

Mr. Bush advised that the CADB should stay the review of the SSAMP until a response from the LFB has been received.

Alstede Farms, Chester Township – Complaint.

Mr. Bush informed the Board that he had submitted a request to the Local Finance Board (LFB) per the CADB's May meeting discussion. The LFB had acknowledged receipt of the request, however, a decision had not yet been rendered.

Mr. Bush advised that the CADB should stay the review of the complaint until a response from the LFB has been received.

At this point, Mr. Asdal departed.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to P.L. 1975 Ch. 231, the Open Public Meetings Act, Chairman Davis announced that in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, the Morris CADB considered closing the open portion of the meeting in order to discuss matters related to the purchase, lease or acquisition of real property, and litigation in Closed Session. On motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board voted to conduct a Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

RETURN TO MEETING

The meeting reopened to the public at 8:06 p.m.

ACTIONS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

No actions were taken as a result of Closed Session.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

Legislative Updates. Legislative updates were shared with the Board via email prior to the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence to review.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to review.

NEW BUSINESS

At this point, member Thomson left the meeting room.

Resolution 2018-03: Susan Peach Farm, Washington Township. On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Galfo, the Board adopted Resolution 2018-03. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

Absent: Member Thomson recused himself and did not participate in the vote.

At this point, member Thomson returned to the meeting room.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Bush informed the Board that he would be retiring effective October 1, 2018. He served the County for 27 years and will be missed by his colleagues.

Ms. Staci Santucci will be the new Assistant County Counsel.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Thomson, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Katherine Coyle
Director