MINUTES MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD February 1, 2024

(Held remotely via Webex)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 7:34 p.m. Members present:

Aimee Ashley Myers Thomas Galfo Harvey Ort Jay Thomson

Members with an excused absence:

Frank Carrajat Conor Evans

Also in attendance:

Commissioner Stephen Shaw Timothy Willmott, SADC

Staff in attendance:

Staci Santucci, Esq. Katherine Coyle

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 Clerk of the Morris County Board of County Commissioners, the Daily Record and the Star Ledger and posted on the Morris County website.

Ms. Coyle announced that the meeting was being held remotely via WebEx and was being recorded. Ms. Coyle provided instructions for the public to provide comments during the meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member Galfo, seconded by member Ort, the Board members approved the November 3, 2023 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

On motion of member Galfo, seconded by member Ort, the Board members approved the November 3, 2023 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

On motion of member Galfo, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the January 4, 2024 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Ort, Thomson

Nay: None Abstain: Davis

On motion of member Galfo, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the January 4, 2024 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Ort, Thomson

Nay: None Abstain: Davis

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Stephen Shaw informed the Board that he will continue to serve as the Board of County Commissioners liaison to the CADB and thanked the Board members for their service.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

There was no report.

RIGHT TO FARM

There were no RTF matters.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

Blue Line Farm, Washington Township – request for agricultural labor housing. Ms. Coyle introduced Ms. Lori Dvorak, the new owner of the farm, and informed that Board that Ms. Dvorak had submitted an application for an agricultural labor housing unit on the preserved farm, an equine operation. Ms. Coyle presented the staff report. Ms. Dvorak shared her plans for the farm with the Board.

On motion of member Ort, seconded by member Galfo, the Board members approved Ms. Dvorak's application for agricultural labor housing and directed staff to draft a resolution memorializing the Board's decision. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

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Chairman Davis sought feedback from the Board regarding changing the meeting time by moving it up earlier in the evening. Further discussion may take place at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Tim Willmott provided an update on SADC matters including the new formula to value easements and wildlife fencing cost-share changes.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Galfo, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Coyle

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Director