## **MINUTES**

# MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

# 30 Schuyler Place, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Morristown, New Jersey June 9, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Wightman at 7:36 p.m. Members present:

Aimee Ashley Myers Dale Davis Harvey Ort Kenneth Wightman

Members with an excused absence:

Rick Desiderio Kathy Hammond Gregory Keller

Staff in attendance:

Christine Marion W. Randall Bush, Esq. Katherine Coyle

#### COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS LAW

Vice-Chairman Wightman 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 Ort, seconded by member Davis, the Board members approved the April 14, 2016 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Davis, Ort and Wightman

Nay: None Abstain: Ashley Myers

On motion of member Davis, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the May 12, 2016 meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Davis and Wightman

Nay: None Abstain: Ort

#### OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

#### **CLOSED SESSION**

Pursuant to P.L. 1975 Ch. 231, the Open Public Meetings Act, Vice-Chairman Wightman 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 Ort, seconded by member Davis, the Board voted to conduct a Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Davis, Ort and Wightman

Nay: None Abstain: None

## **RETURN TO MEETING**

The meeting reopened to the public at 8:11 p.m.

## ACTIONS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

*Pultz Farm, Washington Township.* On motion of member Ort, seconded by member Davis, the Board agreed to make an offer to the landowner per the Board's discussion during Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Davis, Ort and Wightman

Nay: None Abstain: None

Holovacs Farm, Roxbury Township. On motion of member Ort, seconded by member Davis, the Board directed staff to inform the landowner regarding the Board's decision per the Board's discussion during Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Davis, Ort and Wightman

Nay: None Abstain: None

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

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

## **RIGHT TO FARM**

There was no RTF business to review.

#### LITIGATION

Riamede Farm, Chester Township. The matter was adjourned.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence to review.

# **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no old business to review.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no new business to review.

# **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

There were no comments from the public.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, on motion of member Davis, seconded by member Ort, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Coyle

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Director