

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
July 7, 2022
(Held remotely via Webex)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 7:30 p.m. Members present:

Aimee Ashley Myers
Conor Evans
Thomas Galfo
Jay Thomson

Members with an excused absence:

Frank Carrajat
Harvey Ort

Also in attendance:

Commissioner Stephen Shaw
Timothy Willmott, SADC

Staff in attendance:

Joseph Barilla
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 Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the June 9, 2022 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: Evans

On motion of member Galfo, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the June 9, 2022 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Galfo, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: Evans

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments from the public.

RIGHT TO FARM

There were no RTF matters.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

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

August meeting date. The Board agreed to change the August meeting date to August 11.

OLD BUSINESS

DRAFT Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan. The Board discussed the draft Plan and agreed that the section “Support Services within Market Region” should be amended to state that most farmers rely on agricultural services outside of the County and outside of the state, often relying on service providers in Pennsylvania.

On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Galfo, the Board members adopted the *Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Plan* subject to the agreed upon change. A roll call vote was taken.

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

Nay: None Abstain: None

NEW BUSINESS

There was no old business.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Morris County Commissioner Stephen Shaw provided information regarding the Moving Wall Vietnam Veteran Memorial at the County College of Morris, the County’s approval of 30 Historic Preservation grants, and the Morris County Small Business Grant Program.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Galfo, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Coyle". The letters are cursive and fluid.

Katherine Coyle
Director