

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
March 2, 2023
(Held remotely via Webex)

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Davis at 7:32 p.m. Members present:

Frank Carrajat
Thomas Galfo
Harvey Ort
Jay Thomson

Members with an excused absence:

Aimee Ashley Myers
Conor Evans

Also in attendance:

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.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. George Koenig submitted comments regarding the Backer Farm SSAMP application.

Mr. Peter Banos submitted comments regarding the Backer Farm SSAMP application.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Ort, the Board members approved the November 3, 2022 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Carrajat, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: Galfo

On motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Ort, the Board members approved the November 3, 2022 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Carrajat, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: Galfo

On motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Carrajat, the Board members approved the January 5, 2023 Open Session special meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Carrajat, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Recused: Galfo

On motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Carrajat, the Board members approved the January 5, 2023 Closed Session special meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Carrajat, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Recused: Galfo and Ort

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 Galfo, the Board voted to conduct a Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Carrajat, Galfo, Ort, Thomson and Davis

Nay: None Abstain: None

RETURN TO MEETING

The meeting reopened to the public at 8:10 p.m.

ACTIONS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

No actions were taken.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

Legislative Updates. Legislative updates were sent to the Board via email prior to the meeting. Per the Board's discussion during the January meeting, joint letters were sent by the CADB and

the Board of Agriculture to sponsors of bills that would create alternate members on the CADBs and allow for RTF complaint matters to be heard in adjoining counties.

RIGHT TO FARM

There were no RTF matters.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. George Koenig submitted additional comments regarding the Backer Farm SSAMP application.

Amanda and Brian Roach submitted comments regarding proposed uses on the Oakes Farm.

Mr. Murdock submitted comments regarding proposed uses on the Oakes Farm.

Mr. Tim Willmott provided an update on SADC matters: the Soil Protection Standards regulations were being reviewed by the Committee, a new member has joined the Committee, and the Special Occasion Events law was passed.

D. Felts submitted comments regarding proposed uses on the Oakes Farm.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of member Thomson, seconded by member Carrajat, the meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Coyle". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Katherine Coyle
Director