

MINUTES
MORRIS COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

March 5, 2026

(Held virtually via Webex)

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

Aimee Ashley Myers
Frank Carrajat
Tom Schnipp
Jay Thomson

Also in attendance:

Commissioner Stephen Shaw

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 Schnipp, seconded by member Ashley Myers, the Board members approved the December 18, 2025 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.
Aye: Ashley Myers, Carrajat, Schnipp, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: None

On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Schnipp, the Board members approved the December 18, 2025 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.
Aye: Ashley Myers, Carrajat, Schnipp, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: None

On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Schnipp, the Board members approved the January 8, 2026 Open Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.
Aye: Ashley Myers, Carrajat, Schnipp, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: None

On motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Schnipp, the Board members approved the January 8, 2026 Closed Session meeting minutes. A roll call vote was taken.
Aye: Ashley Myers, Carrajat, Schnipp, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: None

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There were no comments from the public.

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 Ashley Myers, seconded by member Carrajat, the Board voted to conduct a Closed Session. A roll call vote was taken.

Aye: Ashley Myers, Carrajat, Schnipp, Thomson and Davis
Nay: None Abstain: None

RETURN TO MEETING

The meeting reopened to the public at 7:40 pm.

ACTIONS RESULTING FROM CLOSED SESSION

No actions were taken.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR & ATTORNEY

Legislative updates (S3619: Creates alternate voting members). The Board discussed a proposed bill sponsored by Senator Bucco to create alternate voting members. The Board directed staff to draft comments, including proposed amendments. Commissioner Shaw advised that he would discuss the proposed bill and CADB comments with Senator Bucco.

RIGHT TO FARM

There were no RTF matters.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OLD BUSINESS

Rowe Farm, Mendham Borough. Ms. Coyle informed the Board that the Rowe Farm Term Program had been renewed for another eight years.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

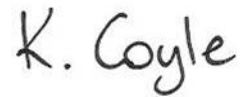
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Commissioner Stephen Shaw thanked the Board members for serving on the Board and staff for providing support.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, on motion of member Ashley Myers, seconded by member Carrajat, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Coyle". The letters are cursive and slightly slanted to the right.

Katherine Coyle
Director