

Alloway Township Agriculture Advisory Committee

Minutes

September 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Schultz.

Roll call: present - Jack Schultz, Al Mitchell, Lou Joyce , Brian Lorenz , , Warren Morgan, Twp Committee liaison.

Absent- Walt Turner, Ron Vassallo, Brian Dolbow

Others Present: Katie Mazzella, SADC

The minutes from the July 11, 2019 meeting were discussed. Minutes approved on motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2nd by Mr. Lorenz , all in favor.

Old Business:

a. Report from Salem CADB: Kris Alexander did not have any Alloway Township applications to report on.

b. Report from SADC:

Katie Mazzella presented copies of the SADC Partner Update. She reported that the minimum acreage for State Direct Easement program will be increased to 94 acres. She said with the addition of the latest PIG grant funds that the Township PIG Grant balance is \$528,264.09.

c. Report from NJCF: Fran Rapa sent a brief email stating that the next funding round application process has been pushed back until at least January 2020. He is proceeding with the Rieck and Bell applications and Katie Mazzella said that the Greenlight process can be initiated once the County has completed the applications.

d. The Township Trust Fund balance report was not available.

e. Maps were presented for review by Ms. Mazzella and Mr. Joyce. Ms. Mazzella reviewed the current State Target farms that are being processed for approval. Board members reviewed recent additions to the Township Target Farm mapping. Comparison of the maps indicated areas where SADC does not have current data on the Township Project Area additions and target farms. An updated Township map was provided to Ms. Mazzella to share with the SADC planner.

New Business:

The additions to the Township Target farms for the next grant application were discussed. Two farms were discussed, the Ayres and the Read properties, for addition to the map. The Board will be making formal revisions to the PIG Grant Application at the November meeting. Ms. Mazzella indicated that update for the 2021 PIG Grant Application may be provided in letter form as opposed to revision to the full application.

Public Comment: no comments received.

Chairman Schultz announced the next meeting is scheduled for November 14, 2019.

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Meeting adjourned 8:25 pm on motion of Mr. Lorenz, 2nd Mr. Joyce and unanimously approved.

Louis C. Joyce
Secretary

Approved: November 14, 2019