

Alloway Township Agriculture Advisory Committee

Minutes

March 9, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:30pm. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Schultz.

Roll call: present - Jack Schultz, Al Mitchell, Lou Joyce, Walt Turner,
Absent- Brian Lorenz, John Blankenship, Warren Morgan
Others present –Rob Ferber, NJCF

The minutes from the January 12, 2023 meeting were presented. Minutes approved on motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2nd by Mr. Turner, all in favor, Abstention by Mitchell.

Old Business:

Report from Salem County: No report.

Report from SADC: No report.

Report from NJCF: Mr. Ferber said they will compare lists with the Township target farms; he said that they will look at the Township list and recommend to the State for direct easement where they feel that federal funds will be less efficient to obtain (noted changes in fund procedures in the Farm Bill).

Farmland Preservation Plan Re-exam – Mr. Scheule had transmitted the “2023 Update – Farmland Preservation Plan” that was recommended for adoption by SADC. The Planning Board will hold a public hearing and adopt into the Master Plan and then SADC will adopt it formally.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2nd by Mr. Turner the 2023 Update Plan was approved and adopted unanimously, and to be sent to the Planning Board. Mr. Joyce will prepare the Resolution of Approval and transmit the Plan to the Planning Board secretary.

Township trust fund: No report but the Township Trust Fund is anticipated to remain unchanged.

New Business:

Discussed reviewing the target property list of smaller parcels and sending outreach after the SADC approval of 2023 Plan and 2024 PIG grant.

Public Comment: No public in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm on motion by Mr. Mitchell, with 2nd by Mr. Turner and unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: May 11, 2023

Louis C. Joyce
Secretary

Approved : September 14, 2023