

Alloway Township Agriculture Advisory Committee

Minutes

May 8, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:35pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Schultz.

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

Absent- John Blankenship, Michael Hitchner, Brian Leady, Committee Liaison

Others present – Robyn Jeney, NJCF

Minutes from March 13, 2025 were approved on motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2nd by Mr. Lorenz with unanimous vote.

Old Business:

Report from Salem County: No Report.

Report from SADC: No Report.

Report from NJCF: Robyn Jeney offered assistance with our applications. She discussed with Mr. Morgan the Kane property which could qualify for conservation but not farmland preservation.

Township trust fund: current balance is \$142,897.37.

New Business: Mr. Joyce reported that On April 19 and 20 I sent requests for bids for appraisals to six firms from the list: Steven Bartelt; Pamela Brodowski; Michael Descano; Joseph Heenan; Justin Molinari; and Timothy Sheehan. We received Proposals from Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Molinari. Ms. Brodowski declined to bid and the others did not respond. Both Mr. Sheehan and Mr. Molinari have performed the appraisals on prior farmland applications for the Township.

The Proposals received are:

T.W. Sheehan and Associates, LLC: Williams Farm Property, \$2,450.00;
Pierce Farm Property, \$2,450.00.

Molinari and Associated, P.C.: Williams Farm, \$2,300.00
Pierce Farm, \$2,300.00

On motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2nd by Mr. Lorenz the appraisal Proposals from T. W. Sheehan & Associates and from Molinari & Associates, LLC were accepted and referred to the Township Committee for award.

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On motion from Mr. Mitchell and 2nd by Mr. Morgan the Committee requests that the Township Committee open an account for soft costs for in the amount of \$20,000 for each of the Pierce and Williams properties which is consistent with past practice of prior applications. Unanimously approved.

Public Comment: No public in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 7:55PM on motion by Mr. Mitchel, with 2nd by Mr. Lorenz and unanimously approved.

Next Meeting: July 10, 2025

Approved: July 10, 2025