

White Township Open Space and Agricultural Advisory Committees Minutes of the May 27, 2014 Meeting

Call to Order by Chairperson Jason Menegus at 6:37pm on Tuesday, May 27, 2013.

A) Followed by the Opening Statement, Pursuant to the NJ Open Meeting Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 ET SEQ., the Board Secretary caused notice of the meeting to be given to the public and press in February, 2014.

B) Flag Salute was done by all present.

C) Attendance was noted. Nevitt Duveneck and Glenn Smith were absent.

D) A motion was made to by Nancy Bilyk, with a second by Dave Newhouse to approve the agenda. All were in favor.

E) A motion was made to approve the minutes for the April meeting by Dave Newhouse with a second by Bob Mackey. All were in favor. (The secretary is to bring the November minutes with changes to the next meeting to be reviewed.)

F) Correspondence

The Committee received correspondence from the New Jersey Agricultural Development Committee. They would like to know the needs of White Township moving forward. Jason Menegus also spoke to the county and found there is \$8.0 million available for use for Warren County.

F) New Business

Oliver Farm - Jason Menegus spoke to Mr. Oliver and found that he needs to separate off his woods to make his preservable property 50% tillable or apply for Green Acres preservation.

Woodlands were discussed. Jason Menegus is to bring up to the county about the possibility of woodland preservation.

Nancy Bilyk moved with a second by Frank Demeter, for Jason Menegus to draft a letter to the county and the state referencing the Oliver farm as an example for woodlands preservation efforts.

G) Agricultural Advisory

No business to discuss.

H) Old Business

Landowner Applications - Erhardt farm closed. Walburn farm is in title search and survey. Spencer is still waiting on application completion. Shoemaker farm application should be finished soon.

County Applications - The Bullock, Bartha, Race and Thompson farms are moving forward. The Rothman farm has turned their application in.

Letter Follow-ups

The Fratezis are still discussing it. Nothing has been heard from Cramer, Kline, Kilts, or Kimball. The Unangsts need to see which program they should proceed with.

I) Other Matters

Jason Menegus is to mail a letter to the other members of this committee to be sent to the county and state inquiring about woodland preservation. The members will approve it among themselves.

There was a motion by all members, with a second by all members to break for June, July and August, having no meetings during those months. All were in favor.

There was a motion to adjourn made by Nancy Bilyk with a second by Frank Demeter. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Tara Andrews
Secretary