

WARREN COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Department of Land Preservation

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REVISED AGENDA

February 18, 2010

7:30 PM

In compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, adequate notice of this meeting has been given by forwarding a notice of the date, time and location of the meeting to the Warren County Clerk, THE DAILY RECORD, THE STAR LEDGER, and by posting a copy thereof on the bulletin board in the hall of the Warren County Courthouse and the Department of Land Preservation. In order to assure full public participation, those individuals with disabilities who wish to attend the meeting should submit any requests for special accommodations one week in advance of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Minutes: Meeting of January 21, 2010
Executive Minutes of January 21, 2010

Public Input: Non-Agenda Items

Correspondence:

- Newspaper article on "Fourteen NJ farms named as northeast Dairies of Distinction"
- Township of Lopatcong January 20, 2010 letter & resolution re: Open Space Tax
- Township of Oxford January 22, 2010 letter & resolution re: Open Space Tax
- NJFB January 22, 2010 letter re: Borealis Highlands Redevelopment Area Designation
- Frelinghuysen Twp January 27, 2010 letter re: Polowy & Woodcock Preservation
- SADC January 28, 2010 letter re: response to CCADB Will division of premises request
- Notice re: Raub Hearing February 25, 2010
- Resolution 10-01 Wattles

Old Business:

- Smith/Rasa Farm update
- Hillyerd Farm/Meyers butchering/processing facility

New Business:

- Open Space Tax
- Wattles Resolution 10-01
- Demeter 1 Resolution 10-02

Administrator's Report

Public Input

Adjourn

Next Meeting: March 18, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes February 18, 2010

The regular monthly meeting was held at the office of the Department of Land Preservation, 500 Mt. Pisgah Avenue, Oxford, New Jersey. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schnetzer at 7:34 p.m. An announcement was read as required by the Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6-21. Mr. Lavery led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: George Baldwin, Frank Gibbs, Joe Gourniak, Sam Race, Joel Schnetzer, Mike Toretta

Members absent: Lou Baduini

Others present: R. Resker, T. Kaminski, S. Beall, Staff; Katrina Campbell substituting for Michael Lavery, Special County Counsel; Dave Dech, Planning Dept.; Gary Pohorely, SADC.

Minutes of the regular session meeting held on January 21, 2010 were approved on a motion by Mr. Race and seconded by Mr. Baldwin. Motion carried.

Executive Minutes of the meeting held on January 21, 2010 were approved on a motion by Mr. Race and seconded by Mr. Gibbs with the change from "selling of antlers" to "sale". Motion carried.

Public Input (Non-agenda Items): None

Correspondence: Noted

Old Business

Smith/Rasa Farm – Ms. Campbell stated that Mr. Rasa was no longer managing the farm and therefore they have to change the document to get a different signature. The property has a RDSO and they want to locate the house and have the exception in place before they finalize the process and sign all the corrective deeds. Chairman Schnetzer noted that they have to come to the Board for the RDSO approval.

Hillyerd Farm/Meyers butchering/processing facility – Ms. Campbell stated that Mr. Lavery doesn't think this is an acceptable agricultural management practice on a preserved farm and he has requested that the SADC also review.

New Business

Open Space Tax – On a motion by Mr. Race and seconded by Mr. Toretta to recommend by letter to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders that they retain the Open Space Tax. Mr. Baldwin opposed. Motion carries.

Wattles Resolution 10-01 – On a motion by Mr. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. Race to approve the resolution with taking out the word "closely" in Item 3 of the resolution. Motion passes.

Demeter #1 Resolution 10-02 – On a motion by Mr. Baldwin and seconded by Mr. Race to accept the amendment to receive additional funding from the FFRP and to accept the additional restriction of 2 acres of impervious coverage. Motion carries.

Administrator's Report:

The Board members reviewed the administrator's report and Mr. Resker went over important matters.

Public Input: None

Mr. Race stated that the White Township PIG Plan sent to the SADC came back after a year and a half with a voluminous amount of change to the plan. Mr. Race was wondering if it was typical of all municipal PIG requests. Mr. Resker stated that there was a tremendous amount of change to the Warren County PIG Comprehensive Farmland Preservation Program and he remembers quite amount of change to a few other Municipal PIG plans.

Dual Appraisal - On a motion by Mr. Race and seconded by Mr. Baldwin the Board approves to send a letter and resolution to the State Legislatures, The Board of Chosen Freeholders, Municipalities, and the SADC to seek approval of the dual appraisal process.

Mr. Pohorely said that any application now to have an appraisal would be at current value. Mr. Race stated that then eliminates the program in the preservation area and Mr. Pohorely concurred. Mr. Race then added that the NJDEP constraints of 300 foot on each side of a stream are in effect and storm water management that may be anywhere not just the preservation area, then we need it all over the place.

Adjournment: On a motion by Mr. Baldwin and seconded by Mr. Gibbs, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Motion carries. Chairman Schnetzer adjourned the meeting 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Teresa Kaminski