

EAST AMWELL FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

October 14, 2013; 7:30 PM; East Amwell Municipal Building

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. OPEN MEETING NOTICE

In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, it was noted that this is a regular Meeting pursuant to the meeting notice published in the January 31, 2013 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. On October 8, 2013 notice of this meeting was filed in the Township Clerk's Office, sent to the Hunterdon County Democrat and the agenda was posted on the bulletin board.

3. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

4. APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2013, MEETING MINUTES

5. BILLS FOR APPROVAL

DATE	VENDOR	INVOICE #	AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
September 2013	Scott Bauman FOSPC Administrator	n/a	\$ 350.00	17.5 hours @ \$20.00 / hour

6. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

7. ADMINISTRATOR REPORT WITH ACTIVE PROPERTIES UPDATE

A. Perkovich Parcels (Bl 3, Lots 5 & 6) 72 acres

- Status: SADC direct purchase; appraisals pending.

B. Hay Parcel (Bl 21, Lot 16.03) 24 acres

- April 2012: submitted SADC development easement grant application for \$361,200 (60% SADC, 20% county, 20% municipal)
- May 2013: SADC approves purchase, township follows via resolution #64-13
- Sept 2013: Property owner signed contract and returned it to the Freeholders for consideration. Three (3) requests for property survey sent.
- October 2013: Received estimates (meeting packet). Application should close in early 2014.

C. Plimpton Parcel (Bl 38, Lot 3) 26 acres

- June 2012: submitted County Cooperative Grant application for \$350,000 (50% Green Acres, 20% D&R Greenway Land Trust, 20% municipal / county cooperative grant, 7% municipal share of county open space funds, 3% municipal open space funds).
- September 2013: Draft agreement of sale sent by D&R Greenway Land Trust to Estate of John C. Plimpton

D. Ridge Road Assemblage (Bl 34, Lots 18, 19, 19.01, 21.01, 21.02) 40 acres

- July 2013: submitted County Cooperative Grant for \$600,000 (50% Green Acres, 30% county open space trust funds, and 20% D&R Greenway Land Trust)
- October 2013: Freeholders approve resolutions approving cooperative open space acquisition, and non-profit open space grant applications.
- October 2013: D&R Greenway Land Trust sent contracts to all three owners D&R awaiting response.

**EAST AMWELL FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
October 14, 2013; 7:30 PM; East Amwell Municipal Building**

E. Scibilia Property (Bl 11, Lot 37); 95 John Ringo Road; 40 acres

- October 1999: deed of easement for an agricultural retention easement executed
- Status: Due to lot line change, an amended deed of easement is required; once signed, the township is due to receive approximately \$192,000 once the project is closed

F. Van Doren Parcel (Bl 35, Lot 58); South Hill Road; 8.59 acres

- September 2013: Discussed at FOSPC meeting with D&R Greenway Land Trust
- October 2013: For discussion

G. East Jersey Developers Parcel (Bl 35, Lot 18.01); 18 South Hill Road; 10 acres

- September 2013: Discussed at FOSPC meeting with D&R Greenway Land Trust
- October 2013: For discussion

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. "Rambling Pines": Block 41, Lots 44 & 45

- Memorandum of Agreement between the township and DEP for hiking trails- signed by township in Feb 2013; awaiting DEP signatures. Followed up with DEP 8/13 & 10/13

B. CADB Grant Round Deadline: no viable candidates for this round

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. H. Van Doren (Bl 35, Lot 53); South Hill Road; 7.51 acres

- Recently lost farmland assessment status. Adjacent to D&R parcels Lots 18, 51, 52 & 54

B. Pilipshen Parcel (Bl 40, Lot 17.01); Snyderstown Road; 4.07 acres

- 9/17/13: Letter received from owner's attorney extending offer to the township to purchase the parcel. Parcel would provide road access to DEP's adjoining 73 acres and D&R's 6 acres.

C. Hunting on Cider Mill Preserve

D. Planning for 2014 GreenFest

10. LIAISON REPORTS

- A. Historic Preservation awaiting appointment
- B. Planning Board Fred Gardner
- C. Agricultural Advisory Kit Crisafulli
- D. Environmental Commission Toni Robbi
- E. Recreation Committee Peter Fick

EAST AMWELL FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
October 14, 2013; 7:30 PM; East Amwell Municipal Building

11. REPORTS

- A. CADB meeting held September 12, 2013; met with staff on September 18, 2013
- B. SADC meeting held September 26, 2013

12. CORRESPONDENCE

- “Governor Signs Fake Farmland Reform Bill (S589)” from Sierra Club Newsletter July, 2013

13. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. **SADC Remaining Meetings:** 2013: 11/14, 12/12. 2014: 1/23, 2/27, 3/27, 4/25, 5/22, 6/26, & 7/24
- B. **CADB Remaining Meetings:** 2013: 10/10, 11/14, 12/12

14. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

15. REMAINING FOSPC MEETINGS: 2013: 11/11, 12/9

Date Posted on Bulletin Board
Date sent to Democrat

October 8, 2013
October 8, 2013