

**EAST AMWELL FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PERSERVATION COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES: APRIL 11, 2022**

Zoom Platform: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83308800602>

Passcode: FOSPC2022

**CALL TO ORDER & STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE**

A regular meeting of the East Amwell Farmland and Open Space Preservation Committee (FOSPC) began at 7:31 p.m. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting was published in the March 3, 2022 issue of the Hunterdon County Democrat. A copy of the agenda was forwarded to the Hunterdon County Democrat, filed in the Township Clerk’s Office, posted on the bulletin board and township website.

**ROLL CALL**

**2022 ATTENDANCE**

<b>Farmland and Open Space Preservation Committee Members (term expires)</b>	<b>1/10/2022</b>	<b>2/14/2022</b>	<b>3/14/2022</b>	<b>4/11/2022</b>	<b>5/9/2022</b>	<b>6/13/2022</b>	<b>7/11/2022</b>	<b>8/8/2022</b>	<b>9/12/2022</b>	<b>10/10/2022</b>	<b>11/14/2022</b>	<b>12/12/2022</b>
<b>Rick Wolfe (12/2022)</b>	<b>Rescheduled</b>	<b>X</b>	<b>Cancelled</b>	<b>X</b>								
<b>Erica Johanson (12/2023)</b>		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>								
<b>Tom Jarick (12/2022)</b>		<b>X</b>		<b>X*</b>								
<b>Michael Mills (12/2022)</b>		<b>X</b>		<b>X</b>								

\*joined at 7:50pm

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

Mr. Wolfe made a motion to accept the February 14, 2022 minutes as presented, which was seconded by Mr. Mills. All in favor.

**REVIEW OF BILLS**

There were no bills to review.

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by Ms. Johanson, seconded by Mr. Wolfe to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

## **REPORTS**

### **Administrator's Report**

Ms. Merz stated that a new application for farmland preservation was submitted in March to preserve approx. 70 acres on Saddle Shop Road. The application has recently received green light approval from the State.

### **Committee Liaison Reports**

No updates for Ag Advisory. For the Township Committee, Mr. Wolfe updated that the 2022 budget will be introduced at the next TC meeting. The Planning Board will be holding a public hearing meeting for the land use element of the Master Plan on April 19<sup>th</sup>.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **Farmland Preservation Plan**

There are different versions of the Farmland Preservation Plan which were discussed. The committee agreed on choosing the plan that was last amended in 2021 by Ms. Fullerton, and begin moving forward with the review process. The committee members will need some time to read through the plan as it is currently 96 pages.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Chair Mills wanted to tell everyone about a survey that was very recently sent out by Hunterdon County CADB. The County is looking for input from local municipalities regarding farmland preservation that they will gather and present during two public meetings to be held on April 14<sup>th</sup> and June 8<sup>th</sup>.

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Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Johanson to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion made by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Ms. Johanson to adjourn the meeting at 7:56pm was unanimously approved by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Amy Jo Merz, Farmland/Open Space  
Preservation Committee Secretary