

**EAST AMWELL AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 19, 2023
EAST AMWELL MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 1070 ROUTE 202, RINGOES, NJ**

CALL TO ORDER, FLAG SALUTE & STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

The meeting of the East Amwell Agricultural Advisory Committee began at 7:07 p.m. In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by a notice sent to the official newspapers of the Township, posted on the Township website, posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal building and filed with the Township Clerk as required by law, on February 1, 2023.

ATTENDANCE – ROLL CALL

2023 ATTENDANCE

Agricultural Advisory Committee Member	1/18/2023	2/15/2023	3/15/2023	4/19/2023	5/17/2023	6/21/2023	7/19/2023	8/16/2023	9/20/2023	10/18/2023	11/15/2023	12/20/2023
Kit Crisafulli	X	Meeting Cancelled	7:11	A	No Meeting Scheduled	No Meeting Scheduled						
Bill duFosse	X		X	X								
John Mills - TC Liaison	X		X	X								
Michael Mills	A		X	A								
Christian Mirabito - Chair	X		X	X								
John Perehynys – Vice Chair	X		A	X								
Amy Jo Merz, Secretary	X		X	X								

AGENDA REVIEW

There were no items to add to the agenda.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

March 15, 2023 Minutes – A motion made by John Perehynys, seconded by Bill duFosse to approve the March minutes was unanimously approved by voice vote

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by Bill duFosse, seconded by John Perekhyns to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

REPORTS

1. FOSPC – Mike Mills was not present tonight to report on the last meeting but Ms. Merz said she would give an update on the farmland plan during the unfinished business portion of the meeting.
2. CADB Meeting – John Perekhyns said there was nothing new on the agenda to report from the last meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Deer Management – Bill duFosse wanted to make a correction to something he stated last month about the number of hunters allowed on a property. He thought more than 10 were allowed but that is not correct, 10 is the limit; however, NJ Fish & Wildlife are allowing Mr. duFosse to have more than 10 for this year only because he listed more than 10 on his permit application this year and they accepted it. Hopefully if the numbers are good this year, they will raise the limit next year. Also, the HHH trailer is being set up for in July.
2. Master Plan Discussion (land use plan element) – Mike Mills was not present tonight to report on the Planning Board meeting.
3. Farmland Preservation Plan – Ms. Merz reported that she did send the link to the Google drive to all AAC members after the March meeting for everyone to start reviewing the farmland plan draft. She asked if members can read through the plan over the next two months and provide any feedback by June 15th so she can begin making revisions. She will also check with the Planning Board to find out what their process is to get the farmland plan draft to them for review. John Perekhyns asked Ms. Merz to resend the link to the Google drive to him again.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

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Seeing no members of the public present, a motion made by John Perekhyns, seconded by Bill duFosse to close the meeting to the public was unanimously approved by voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion made by John Perehinys, seconded by Bill duFosse to adjourn the meeting at 7:28pm was unanimously approved by voice vote.

There are no meetings scheduled for May and June. The next meeting is scheduled for July 19, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Jo Merz
Secretary, Agricultural Advisory Committee