

THE MONMOUTH COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS

MONMOUTH COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD



Minutes for a Regular Meeting of the MONMOUTH COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Wednesday, August 3, 2011, 7:30 PM

Planning Board Conference Room, Hall of Records Annex, 2nd Floor
One East Main Street, Freehold, New Jersey

Chairman McCarthy called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Buscaglia, Clayton, Geran, Giambrone, Halka, McCarthy, Obal, Potter, Stuart
Staff: Honigfeld, May
Representatives: Chenal (Marlboro), Costigan (Howell), Holland (Manalapan), Jacoby (Colts Neck)
Public: Wanda Holland

Mr. McCarthy opened the meeting.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Mr. Geran offered a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the July 2011 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Potter and approved by voice vote.

CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

No discussion

REGULAR REPORTS:

- A. Chairman: No report.
- B. State: No report.
- C. Staff: Ms. Honigfeld noted that Amanda Brockwell would be returning to work on August 10th.
- D. Rutgers Cooperative Extension: No report.
- E. Municipal Representatives:

Colts Neck: Mr. Jacoby reported that Colts Neck is considering a ballot referendum for 20% of the municipality's open space tax to be used to maintain recreation areas. That would take away \$70K a year from preservation projects.

Manalapan: Mr. Holland stated that the township has an application in progress.

Howell: Mr. Costigan mentioned the pre-closing site visit to the Clayton Farm scheduled for August 4th.



OLD BUSINESS:

Amendment to Final Approval Request Municipal PIG Program (Block 59, Lot 4

Manalapan): Ms. Honigfeld informed the Board that due to the low CMV for this project, the SADC share would be higher than 60%, lowering the county's anticipated cost share. Ms. Honigfeld advised that the MCADB may be asked to correct the numbers in its July 2011 final approval resolution. Mr. Potter made a motion to amend the resolution with the corrected numbers. Mr. Geran seconded the motion which was approved by roll call vote. Mr. Stuart abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

Monitoring Summary July 2010-July 2011: Members briefly discussed the summary of the staff's monitoring efforts and farm news updates that was submitted to the SADC in July.

Final Approval Request Municipal PIG Program (Block 170, Lot 8.01 Marlboro): Ms.

Honigfeld described the Peppadew Fresh LLC project and answered questions. Mr. Potter made a motion to grant final approval to the project. Mr. Halka seconded the motion which was approved by roll call vote. Mr. Stuart abstained.

Appointment of Interim Secretary: Due to the upcoming retirement of longtime member and Secretary, Richard Obal, the Board needed to appoint a nonvoting, interim Secretary. Mr. Stuart nominated Ms. Honigfeld for the position. Mr. Geran seconded. The Board approved the appointment by roll call vote.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Stuart made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss real estate and legal matters. Mr. Geran seconded the motion which was approved by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS (con't):

Authorization of the Sale of Property in Millstone Township: Mr. McCarthy explained the need for Board action. The Mattei Farm was wrongfully divided following a foreclosure proceeding. A buyer entered into contract to purchase the resulting pieces of the farm and reunite them. The Board was asked to authorize the sale. Mr. Stuart made a motion to approve the draft resolution with corrections. Mr. Gean seconded the motion which was approved by roll call vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Costigan thanked Mr. Obal for his many years of service to the county.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Giambone made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Potter seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.