

MONMOUTH COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

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

Wednesday, January 9, 2013, 7:30 PM

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

Dr. Sciarappa presided as Chairman in Mr. McCarthy's absence. The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM.

ATTENDANCE:

Present: Bullock, Butch, Clayton, DeFelice, Giambrone, Holmes, Sciarappa
Staff: Beekman, Brockwell, Honigfeld
Representatives: Holland (Manalapan)
Public: Joseph Barris, Hope Gruzlovic, Wanda Holland

REORGANIZATION:

Dr. Sciarappa, current Secretary, presided over the reorganization of the MCADB.

Ms. Honigfeld noted that although Mr. McCarthy and Mr. Potter were unable to attend the evening this evening, she spoke with them earlier in the day, and they expressed their willingness to serve again as Chairman and Vice Chairman if the board approved.

- **Chairman:** Mr. Giambrone nominated Mr. McCarthy for Chairman of the MCADB. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Bullock and approved.
- **Vice Chairman:** Mr. Clayton nominated Mr. Potter for Vice Chairman of the MCADB. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Giambrone and approved.
- **Secretary:** Mr. Bullock presided over the nomination of Secretary. Mr. Clayton nominated Dr. Sciarappa for Secretary of the MCADB. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Giambrone and approved.
- **2013 Meeting Schedule:** Mr. Bullock made a motion to accept the meeting schedule as drafted. Ms. Butch seconded the motion that was approved by voice vote.

Dr. Sciarappa continued presiding over the meeting.

MINUTES:

Mr. Bullock offered a motion to approve the Regular Session minutes of the December 2012 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. DeFelice and approved by voice vote.



CORRESPONDENCE AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

No correspondence.

REGULAR REPORTS:

- A. Chairman: No report.
- B. State: Ms. Gruzlovic stated that the Garden State Preservation Trust funding bills cleared the legislature and were awaiting the Governor's signature. January 26th is the 30th anniversary of the Farmland Preservation Program. The SADC expects to publish the on-farm direct marketing AMP soon.
- C. Staff: Staff introduced Joseph Barris, mentioned a mistake in the Freeholders CADB appointment resolution, noted a potential deed violation at the Mullery farm in Millstone related to ATV use, and invited members to the upcoming Monmouth County Greentable on February 5th.
- D. Rutgers Cooperative Extension: Dr. Sciarappa distributed the Changing Times newsletter and the Monmouth Cooperative Extension 2011 Annual Report. He noted the upcoming Pumpkin School, organizational meeting for the 2013 Open Space Pace, and a vegetable farmers meeting. He also commented on the lack of area facilities for ATV use.
- E. Municipal Representatives: No reports.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Amendment to final approval resolution (Block 20 Lot 5 Colts Neck):** The original resolution 2012-12-1 was reviewed and approved at the December 2012 meeting. A change has been made regarding the number of agricultural labor housing units designated on the property.

Mr. DeFelice made a motion to accept the amended resolution. The motion was seconded by Ms. Butch and approved by roll call vote. Mr. Holmes abstained.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Resolution to Create a Municipally Approved Farmland Preservation Program (Block 47 Lot 16, Upper Freehold):** The Fusco 8-year Agreement recently expired. Due to changes in ownership and housing on the property, it was necessary to create a new agreement to reflect the changes rather than just re-enrolling with the previous agreement.

Mr. Bullock made a motion to pass a resolution to create a Municipally Approved Farmland Preservation with the recommendation to add language in the document that references the 8 year length of time. Mr. DeFelice seconded the motion that was approved by voice vote.

- **Resolution of Appreciation for Thomas Geran**

Ms. Honigfeld distributed a draft resolution to recognize Thomas Geran's contributions to the MCADB. Mr. Geran passed away in early January. Dr. Sciarappa made a suggestion regarding the distribution of the resolution. Mr. DeFelice made motion to approve. Ms. Butch seconded. The motion was approved by roll call vote. Mr. Holmes abstained.

RIGHT TO FARM ISSUES:

- **Status Reports:** Mrs. Brockwell updated the board on a recent Right to Farm complaint that has been filed by the Township of Manalapan against the Camejo property on Dey Grove Road in Manalapan.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. Holland provided additional background information regarding the Camejo property on Dey Grove Road in Manalapan that recently flooded.

Ms. Butch raised the issue of the next meeting date due to the Agriculture Convention being held on the same day. An attendance poll was taken, and it seemed to be better to hold the meeting the second Wednesday in February.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.