

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 18, 2022**

Ms. Butch called the Meeting to Order at 7:05 p.m.

Ms. Butch welcomed the reappointed members of the Council, George Asprocolas, Amy Butewicz and herself. She also welcomed a new appointment as Alternate 1, Bud Rueter.

The members of the Council discussed their relationship to farming and agriculture.

Secretary DeFelice read the Adequate Notice at 7:10p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Asprocolas, Ms. Butch, Ms. Butewicz, Mr. Peck, Ms. Posten, Mr. Rueter

Absent: none

Guests: Deputy Mayor Morris, Township Committee Liaison

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Councilperson Butch made a motion to open the meeting to public comment at 7:12 p.m. Councilperson Peck offered a second. Seeing no public, the public portion of the meeting was closed at 7:12 p.m.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENTS: Chairperson Butch stated the confidentiality agreements must be signed and sent back to Secretary DeFelice Millstone Township by the re-appointed and new members.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN: Councilperson Butch made a Motion to nominate Amy Butewicz as Chairperson and Councilperson Asprocolas offered a Second. All voted in favor to appoint Ms. Butewicz as Chairperson.

ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON: Councilperson Asprocolas made a Motion to nominate Pat Butch as Vice-Chairwoman and Chairperson Butewicz offered a Second. All voted in favor to appoint Ms. Butch as Vice-Chairperson

DESIGNATION OF OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS: The Asbury Park Press and The Times of Trenton. Vice-Chairperson Butch made a Motion to designate the above papers as the official council newspapers and Councilperson Peck offered a Second. Roll Call Vote: Asprocolas, Butch, Butewicz,,Peck and Posten voted yes to the designation.

MEETING MINUTES: December 21, 2021

Councilperson Peck made a motion to approve the minutes from December 21, 2021 and Vice-Chairperson Butch offered a second.

Roll Call: Asprocolas, Butch and Peck voted in favor.

MEETING SCHEUDLE: Councilperson Peck made a motion to approve the meeting schedule and Vice-Chairperson Butch offered a second.

Adopting a monthly meeting schedule to be held at 7:30 pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month unless otherwise noted or advertised. These meetings will be held via zoom until Covid protocols and conditions warrant in-person meetings.

*February 15, 2022 6:45pm
March 22, 2022
April 26, 2022
May 24, 2022
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July 26, 2022

August 23, 2022
September 27, 2022
October 25, 2022
November 22, 2022
December 20, 2022
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CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

Shade Tree Commission Tree Ordinance: Councilperson Posten inquired about the status of the tree ordinance. Vice Chairperson Butch noted that the recommendations by the Ag Council were provided to the Shade Tree Commission as it pertained to tree removal on farm assessed properties.

Status of Property at Stillhouse and Stagecoach: Secretary DeFelice was asked to get an update from the township as it pertained to any code violations.

Deer Spotlight Survey: The Council will follow up with Jodi regarding her availability to interpret data for a new deer survey in order to understand the impact of recent diseases on the deer population.

The council will be participating in the Agrivoltaics Presentation that will begin at 7:30pm.

Seeing no further business, Councilperson Asprocolas motioned to adjourn. Vice Chairperson Butch offers a second. Meeting adjourned at 7:21p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andrew DeFelice