

# Alloway Township Agriculture Advisory Committee

Minutes  
July 11, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schultz at 7:30pm. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Schultz.

**Roll call:** present - Jack Schultz, Al Mitchell, Lou Joyce, Brian Lorenz.

Absent- Brian Leady Committee Liaison, John Blankenship, Michael Hitchner, Warren Morgan.

Others present – none

Minutes from May 9, 2024 were approved on motion by Mr. Mitchell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lorenz with unanimous vote.

## **Old Business:**

Report from Salem County: No updates available.

Report from SADC: Ms. Mazzella sent her report via email including the NJ Farmland Preservation Monthly News from the June 2024 SADC Public meeting including meetings on development of the Statewide Formula Value (SFV) which should improve monetary values offered for preservation; The Salem County public meeting will be on July 24 at 8:00 PM at the Ware Building. She indicated that the Alloway PIG Base Grant is \$308,664.10 and Competitive Eligibility is \$1mil; finally, she reported that SADC confirmed the Brit Williams farm application and have switched it from a Direct Easement to a Muni PIG based on the Committee's vote and meeting minutes from March. The green light should go out in the next few weeks.

Report from NJCF: Mr. Ferber sent word he had no update.

Letters to landowner of Target farms: it was discussed to put a notice on the website for expressions of interest pending the new SADC funding formula; Mr. Schultz will contact a potential landowner; Mr. Joyce will request a list of past applicants from SADC.

Township trust fund: We have received the \$14,403.95 from preservation tax and \$1,023.77 in interest income for a current balance of \$162,597.59 available for acquisition costs and matching funds.

**New Business:** No new business.

**Public Comment:** No public in attendance.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm on motion by Mr. Mitchell, with 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Lorenz and unanimously approved.

Louis Joyce,  
Secretary

Next Meeting: September 12, 2024

**Approved : September 12, 2024.**