

**MILLSTONE TOWNSHIP
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 12, 2023**

Ms. Butewicz called the Meeting to Order at 7:31 p.m.

Adequate Notice read at 7:31 p.m. by Chairperson Butewicz

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mr. Asprocolas, Ms. Butch, Ms. Butewicz, Ms. Coppinger

Absent: Deputy Mayor Morris; Mr. Peck, Ms. Posten

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No Public

MEETING MINUTES:

October 10, 2023 Minutes - Councilperson Butch made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilperson Coppinger offered a second.

Roll Call: Asprocolas, Butch, Butewicz, and Coppinger voted in favor

CORRESPONDENCE: None

OLD BUSINESS:

SADC Soil Standards: Ms. Butch noted that they are working on resolutions to present at the February Convention. The SADC has acknowledged the opposition to the proposed new soil standards especially in regards to retroactive changes and impervious coverage. The convention is February 7th and 8th in Atlantic City.

Newsletter: Fall newsletter mailed out in November. AG should begin working on articles for the Spring newsletter. Some topics are the mushroom farm, plant breeding and bamboo.

Municipal Labor Housing Ordinance: Nothing new. Waiting to see what the State passes before presenting anything to the TC.

Deer population management: No proposal yet.

SADC Municipal PIG Program – The Council reviewed the completed application that will be sent to the SADC. Chairperson Butewicz moved to approve the application and send it forward. Ms. Butch offered a second. All voted in favor.

Spring Road Farm Lease – The current lease from the previous owner expires at the end of December. The current farmer has cleared his crop. The Township will go out to bid similar to the leases on other Township properties. This lease will be for 4 years to coincide with the time frame on the other leased properties.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ag Budget – The Council should review its budget and make any necessary adjustments for next year. If something will be needed for any deer management survey, that should be incorporated into next year's budget request.

Chairperson Butewicz moved to go to executive session at 8:00pm.

Council returned from Executive session at 8:18 PM

Chairperson Butewicz thanked the Council members for their dedication and hard work this year.

Seeing no further business, Vice Chairperson Asprocolas moved to adjourn. Councilperson Butch offered a second. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew DeFelice