

Date: April 7, 2021 730pm

Howell Township Farming Advisory Committee

Attendees: Elaine Rubano Wendell Nanson, Leslie Chaillet, Evelyn ODonnell

Agenda Items	Minutes
Approve Minutes	Approve
Guests	Sean Pizzio, Monmouth County Division Planning and Environmental Board Ruby Wu Wong-father owns Ford Road farmland and would like to preserve in Howell
Discussion	<p>Sean Pizzio- Background and Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">-Oversee: Farm preservation, pre preserve, post preserve, Board assists with applications for preservation and works with SABS State Agricultural Development committee to get approval for target farms to be enrolled in farm conservation program.-Monmouth County has targeted farms that are high priority areas number of qualifications to get farmlands preserved including but not limited to wetlands, tillable acreage, development potential, ability to subdivide and residential zoning-NJ Priority to preserve farmland-Town purchases the rights to potential development and farmer owns the property , county will do survey of your property and assist you in developing a plan how to utilize the land-If land is being sold , it has to be sold as farmland and can only be used as farmland, new owner has to adhere to all farmland buffers-Each Farm Preservation Assessment can have options and specific request that are requested by owner on portion of land that home is on and the land to be farmed-Application for Farm Preservation-Owner has the discretion to stop the application process at any time. Property can never be turned to anything else , property stay agriculture use , soil viability testing-Board follows up with this every year with farm, 24 hour notice to drop by for an inspection.-Farm preservation process takes 1-2 years Price per acre appraisal – 2 appraisal goes to state and get a certified market value , the whole value of property and then the value of the property once they take the developmental rights

	<p>-3 Farms in Current Process of Preservation Application Preserving Project 26 acres Gilmartin property Preserving Projects- T. Gibson Farm Preserving Projects Archibald Land</p> <p>Ruby Wu Wong Ford Road Howell NJ- family has had farm business in family for years and they want to preserve the land Next step- for guest provide documents and reference material for her farmland use</p>
New Business	No new topics
General Discussion	See above Discussion
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