



**COLTS NECK FARMLAND PRESERVATION
AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE**

Farmland and Open Space Committee

12/8/14

Meeting Minutes

Attended by: Chairman Edward Eastman III, David Barclay, John Jacoby, Thomas Morin, Richard Rehm and Al Yodakis

Absent: Liaison Thomas Orgo (excused), Bryan Grant

Mr. Eastman called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Old Business

Mr. Eastman reported that he had emailed a potential Target List to Mr. Orgo for editing, and is awaiting a response. There still seem to be some discrepancies among different potential lists. The letters to Target List property owners will not be sent until the discrepancies are clarified and necessary corrections made to the list. Mr. Yodakis offered a motion, seconded by Mr. Eastman, to move ahead with the list dated September 18, 2014, with the inclusion of Crystal Brook and Beacon Hill, following input and advice of Mr. Orgo. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jacoby remarked that NWS Earle plans to expand their perimeter over the next five years, in order to provide a preserved buffer in close proximity. They have a grant of \$5 million to purchase development rights.

New Business

None.

Liaison Report

Mr. Jacoby remarked that the equine industry appears to be in decline, as attendance at race tracks in New Jersey has dropped steadily and significantly. Surrounding states are allowing slots at race tracks and drawing larger crowds. Some horse farms are coming on to the market, and these should have a high priority for inclusion in farmland preservation.

On a motion by Mr. Yodakis, and seconded by Mr. Rehm, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 PM. Next meeting will be on Monday, January 12, 2015.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Terry
Secretary

COLTS NECK TOWNSHIP
FARMLAND & OPEN SPACE
PRESERVATION COMMITTEE
2015 MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 12, 2015

Monday, February 9, 2015

Monday, March 9, 2015

Monday, April 13, 2015

Monday, May 11, 2015

Monday, July 13, 2015

Monday, September 14, 2015

Monday, November 9, 2015

Monday, December 14, 2015

Monday, January 11, 2016