PASSAIC COUNTY AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BOARD (CADB)

Minutes of June 20, 2018

Commissioners Present		Commissioners Absent	
Harry "Skip" Bartlett	Farmer Member - Chairman		
Dr. Timothy Feeney	Citizen Member – Vice Chair		
Megan Myers	Citizen Member -	Rudy Ploch, Jr.	Farmer
Dave Longo	Farmer Member	Rocky Hazelman	Members
vacant	Citizen Member	John D. Pogorelec, Jr., Esq.	Assistant County Counsel
Also Present			
Kathleen M. Caren	Planning Department	Amy Rowe, PhD	Rutgers
Glen Van Olden	Soil Conservation District		Cooperative
	of Hudson-Essex & Passaic		Extension

Meeting called to order at 6:16 p.m. Skip read the Sunshine Notice and Kathleen noted a visual roll call.

PUBLIC COMMENT: none – no members of the public were present

MINUTES: There were no minutes to review.

DISCUSSION

101 Oldham Road, Wayne – Board members reviewed two (2) appraisals: Landmark and Mackoff. Values came in, respectively, at \$761,000 and \$735,000, with an average of \$748,000 for 11.3 acres (of 12.3 total acreage).

Kathleen explained there are two (2) exception areas: one *non-severable* ½ acre for the dwelling and most of the outbuildings (garage, barn, etc.) and another *severable* ½ acre for the in-ground pool (which will be lot-line adjusted to become part of the parcel next door, owned by relative Russell Meyer).

Glen discussed the difference between a farmland easement purchase and an outright, fee simple purchase of property (that is, the potential development rights are restricted and the property remains in the hands of the property owner, with no required public access (unlike public open space or a conservation easement with public access).

After discussion, Dave made a motion to accept two (2) appraisals, Tim seconded and all voted in favor.

Next step is to contact the property owner(s) and convene a meeting with them as well as members of this board, in order to determine if they are willing to accept this price. (Freeholders must agree as well.)

While the property is below the standard for SADC consideration (which is 16 acres in Passaic County), Glen and the Board agreed it is worthwhile to submit to the state for possible cost-share/PIG funding.

• **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:40 p.m., moved by Tim, seconded by Dave. **Next meeting scheduled for Tues.**, **Sept. 4, 2018** @ **6:30 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Caren, CADB Administrator