

Elk Township Agricultural Committee
March 15, 2010 Meeting Minutes

Location: Elk Township Municipal Building
Starting Time: 7:40PM
In attendance: George Lucas, Patti Mood, George Dean, Wayne Swanson

Minutes were read and approved from the January meeting.

Elk Township Preservation Plan – The old ordinance O-3-2010 was changed because it was holding up the PIG plan. Now the township does NOT give any extra money for farm preservation. We will look at other townships that have this kind of ordinance. In the future, we may try to reword our ordinance to reinstate the extra money from the township.

We have not heard anything new from Mike Pantaleo about the agriculture business list.

As of today, we have not heard anything back from the NJ Audubon Society about including Elephant Swamp Trail in their brochure.

Other Business – Solar Farms – We have to think about a policy for solar farms. Can people put up as many solar panels as they please on their property or will there be regulations?

Elk Township Clean Up Day – The Township is looking to have a cleanup day in the fall. We suggested sending information home with the students through the school. Have the event for only 1-2 hours because people are busy and probably won't have time to volunteer for an entire day. Afterwards there should be a little party to thank all of the volunteers. Our ideas were passed on to the environmental commission.

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

Next meeting 5/17/10 at 8:00PM