

Solebury Township Farm Committee  
Tuesday, February 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7pm  
Virtual Meeting

**Minutes**

Attendance: Josh Perlsweig, Gary Manoff, Graham Phillips, Tim Luccaro, Craig Haney, Buz Teacher, Kevin Morrissey (Supervisor Liaison), Nicole Slack (Township Administration) Absent: Kaitlin Farbotnik

**I. Call to Order**

Josh Perlsweig called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

**II. Approval of Minutes**

On a motion by Gary Manoff seconded by Tim Luccaro, the minutes of the February 23, 2021, 2020 Farm Committee meeting were unanimously approved.

**III. Announcements**

**IV. New Business**

**V. Discussion Items**

**Email Survey for Farmers Market**

Kevin Morrissey consulted with Township Administration as far as which platform could possibly be used to send out survey to residents regarding the want/need for a farmer's market. It would be beneficial to reach out to neighboring areas as well to reach a larger audience. Reaching a larger audience allows for the Farm Committee to gather more information as it relates to Solebury having a farmer's market. Viable information includes distance people are willing to travel, is there an interest, what products would they like to see?

The Township has an account with Survey Monkey that the Farm Committee can use in order to send out survey. The Committee can reach out to neighboring municipalities as far as their administration sending it to their constituents.

At this time, the goal is to have a list of questions to be used in the survey by the next Farm Committee meeting.

**Landowner Match Resources**

Original progress with NOFA and the Landowner Match Program has not quite turned out as hoped. An organization that hosts the platform in New Jersey with NOFA was not interested in bringing Pennsylvania into the New Jersey network at this time.

Kaitlin Farbotnik spoke with Dave Johnson from The Land Trust of Bucks County and they may be interested in collaborating to achieve the goal of creating a Farmer Landowner Match Program. Dave Johnson will attend the next Farm Committee meeting on March 30<sup>th</sup>.

The committee received approval to incorporate additional resources onto the Farm Committee page on the Township Website.

#### **Township Property 202 Possible Uses**

Discussed encompassed using the property as a potential Farmers Market location. Tim Luccaro mentioned using the property as a community garden, linking the new trails to the property.

There are several ideas circulating amongst various committees. Possibilities included a library relocation, recreational grounds, community space.

#### **Deer Survey**

The deer survey has not yet begun. It is postponed until the ground is not snow covered.

#### **VI. Public Comment**

#### **VII. Adjournment**

**The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Nicole Slack  
Farm Committee Administrator