

Town of York Farmland/ Open Space Preservation Committee Meeting
September 8, 2010 at 7:00pm
Location: York Town Hall

Present: David Deuel, Davies Nagel, Heather Grant

Mr. Deuel distributed informational CD- *Farms, Communities, & Collaboration*. He gave a synopsis on the Farmland Preservation meeting held in Batavia this summer; shared resources that were handed out.

York Town Board would like this committee to go ahead with the grant application for assistance with creating a Farmland Preservation Plan for the Town of York. Mr. Deuel will begin this process.

Discussed goals for this committee:

Long term: to develop a farmland/ open space preservation plan.

Brainstormed ideas for a mission statement: *Planning for the future- preserving the land that sustains us!*

Goals to focus on for this year?

1. **Viewshed-** need to present to the planning board- should pick a few to prioritize; our zoning states that it will protect viewsheds (p.31) but they need to be determined by the planning board; Mr. Nagel will bring this up at next planning board meeting
2. **Promoting the Right to Farm Law recently passed-** new signage welcoming travelers into Town of York- add a Right to Farm Community to signs- or something like this- also a poster for the Town Hall would be good- Heather will be looking into sign- estimates etc...
3. **Apply for the grant-** Mr. Deuel will continue working on this aspect

More discussion of long term goals- farmers' market etc...

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm.

Next meeting will be held November 10th at 7:00pm at York Town Hall. All are welcome.