

Town of York Farmland/ Open Space Preservation Committee Meeting
January 12, 2011 at 7:00pm
Location: York Town Hall

Present: David Deuel, Davies Nagel, Lee Gratwick, Heather Grant

Old Business:

Mr. Deuel gave an update on the grant process. He has a meeting set up with Angela from County Planning on Jan. 19th to discuss planning for the grant process. Mr. Deuel spoke with Dave Thorpe regarding a poster for the living in rural/country awareness.

George Worden is looking into signage for the Right to Farm Law- will most likely be a simple metal green and white sign to go with existing Town of York signs on major routes.

New Business:

Briefly discussed the possibilities of adding to the Farm Preservation portion of the Town website- talked about having links for local farmers'; blog type set up; allowing more networking for all interested in agriculture and land preservation.

Reviewed draft of Ag Advisory Committee law to be proposed to the Town Board. All agreed this was an important aspect to have added to Town Comprehensive Plan.

Carefully went over town maps to distinguish specific sites in York that should be recommended as a definitive Viewshed and labeled as so in the Town's Comprehensive Plan. Marked areas on the maps and Mr. Nagel will work on coming up with a special map of the Town specifically detailing these sites. Viewsheds were given names "Genesee River" and "Valley". Discussed presentation of these viewsheds to the planning board. Mr. Nagel will mention the presentation at next planning board meeting.

Next meeting we will discuss historic and environmentally sensitive areas in the Town of York that should be distinguished specifically in our Comprehensive Plan.

Next meeting will be held Wed., Feb. 16th at 7:00pm at York Town Hall. All are welcome.