Farmland/Open Space Committee Meeting Minutes March 28, 2012

The Farmland/Open Space Committee held a meeting March 28th at the York Town Hall. Members present were Heather Grant, Lee Gratwick, Davies Nagle, Larry smith, and David Deuel.

The design and placement of the Right to Farm Community signs in the Town Hall and along the roadways in the community was finalized. The scenic view shed project was discussed and recommendations and ideas are to be presented to the Town Planning Board at its next meeting. The project will then move forward based on their input.

The April 11th meeting on Natural Gas Drilling to be held at York Central School was discussed. Organizing a meeting for landowners in the town on leasing and landowners rights was also discussed. June is the target date.

Placing a focus on agricultural promotion and public education of the benefits of agricultural and open space within the town was determined to be the area of priority for the committee in the upcoming year. Public meetings, a booth at the Valley Fest and farms on the town website were activities the committee will undertake.

The next meeting will be Wednesday April 25th, 7 PM at the York Town Hall. The public is invited. We are also looking for people to serve on the committee.