FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP OPEN SPACE & AGRICULTURAL ADISORY COMMISSIONS
MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2026

FLAG SALUTE:

The meeting was called to order by Agricultural Chairperson, Bonnie Butler, at approximately 6:30 p.m. opened the meeting in accordance with the "Open Public Meeting Act" Chapter 231, P.L. 1975, having been electronically advertised on the municipal website and a copy posted in the office of the Municipal Clerk.

Open Space Members Present: Ms. Barry (via phone), Mr. Banghart, Mr. Gardner, Ms. Lorenc, Ms. Pyskaty, Mr. Rymon (6) Present
ABSENT: Mr. Herzer (1) Absent

Agricultural Advisory Members Present: Ms. Butler, Mr. Banghart, Mr. Gardner, Mr. Santini
ABSENT: (0)

NEW BUSINESS/DISCUSSIONS:

Agricultural Commission

The township committee is processing three farms targeted for preservation, they include; the old Brandywine property, the old Smith property, and the Beidleman (Access) property.

Open Space

Chairperson Barry suggested we recommend to the township committee to incorporate in their Master Plan review to eliminate Data Centers. The old ordinance currently includes them from years ago, which are entirely different today. Chair Butler will recommend this to the township committee.

Chairperson Butler informed us that in the spring the township committee will be proceeding with a walking path, parking area and fencing on the New Village property with money received from a state grant and our Open SpaceTrust Fund.

Vacancies available on both commissions for Alternate#1 position. Names of interest will be given to the mayor for appointment consideration. Open Space Commission members all need to be re-appointed this year and were invited to attend the Township Committee Re-organization meeting to take their oath.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments heard

ADJOURNMENT at approximately 6:51 P.M.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned by motion of Ms. Lorenc, seconded by Mr. Gardner, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Open Space/Ag Commissions