

Town of Ballston
Farmland Preservation and Protection Committee
May 18, 2021, 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Chair, Scott Draina; guests Nan Stolzenburg and Jackie Hakes; members Stephen Merchant, Garth Ellms, and Joan Pott; Council Chuck Curtiss and Kelly Jasinski; public- Ruth Osterlitz.

1. Scott said he would turn meeting over to Nan and Jackie, and they gave an overview of the meeting's focus.
2. Questions about what do we, the FPP Committee, want to preserve?
3. Committee then gave input.
 - a. Traditionally, this NOT the time of year for Farmers to attend meetings, now until October.
 - b. Define "stakeholders". Certainly not developers who do not even live in Town.
 - c. Previous administration waited too long to implement TDR and now much of land has been developed.
 - d. Discussed density and other tools in addition to TDR (transfer of development rights).
 - e. Agritourism, reduce speed limit to 35 m.p.h. in Agriculture District, danger to tractors and farmers, and preserve Morozick's Farm on Sweet Road from development pressure.
 - f. Agreed to meet again. Next meeting, June 15th.

Respectfully,

Joan M. Pott