MINUTES
Bernards Township Agricultural Advisory Committee
Thursday, March 17 at 7:00 PM

Attendees:  Carol English
            Jack Gray
            Thomas Russo, Jr., TC Liaison/Voting Member

BUSINESS:

- Charter Day
  - Application has been filed
  - 4H group Just Kidding may bring goats to the booth
  - Jack will set up the quick shade and bring poles for the banner, Carol will bring the banner and farm map, Committee members were asked to think about what agriculturally related information we could provide

- Farmers Meeting, April 21
  - Agenda was discussed, Meredith Melendez has been asked to speak on how Rutgers extension can help the different farm groups in the Township: retail farms, neighborhood farms, farmland owners, update on ash borer and invasive species, review of Committee activities and responsibilities
  - Carol will send out invitations, Jack will bring fruit and cookies, Mariellen volunteered at the last meeting to bring drinks
  - Discussed educational opportunities and looking to extension for materials that the Committee can make available to those interested in talking to groups about agriculture

- The farm assessment inventory from the tax assessor now includes the acreage for each lot and block in the program.

- Farm map features was reviewed. The Township Engineering department is willing to work with us to develop the map with farm assessed properties and retail farms featured. The key objective is to have a map that will help residents identify the locations of the retail farms in the Township.

INFORMATIONAL:

- No topics were discussed

Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM.