

**TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN, NEW JERSEY**  
**O-7-22**  
**ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN,**  
**IN THE COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER, NEW JERSEY**  
**AMENDING CHAPTER 6– AGRICULTURE**  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, The Township Committee of the Township of Franklin believes that it is appropriate to amend §6, Agriculture Advisory Committee.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Township of Franklin, Committee of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, State of New Jersey that §6 be and is hereby rescinded and replaced with the following in bold and italics:

**General references**

Land development – See Ch. 253.

**6.1 Establishment.**

The Township Committee finds that in order to promote the general welfare of the public and to preserve the farming heritage of Franklin Township there is hereby established an Agricultural Advisory Committee

**6.2. Membership**

a. The AAC shall be composed of at least three, but not more than five, residents of Franklin Township. Initial appointments to the Agricultural Advisory Committee organized as a result of this chapter shall be for one - one year term, two- two year term and two - three year terms. There after each member will serve a three year term. A majority of the members must be actively engaged in farming and own at least a portion of the land they farm. The farmer-members shall, to the extent possible, represent the different scales and types of operations and different land tenure arrangements within Franklin Township. *There shall also be two alternate spots designated Alternate 1 and Alternate 2. The alternates shall serve a 3 year term and shall vote in the absence of a full member with Alternate 1 being the first to participate and Alternate 2 voting in the absence of two or more fulltime members.*

b. Members shall be appointed by the Mayor with the consent of the governing body of Franklin Township. Each member shall serve a term of three years. Members shall select chairperson, who shall serve as liaison between the AAC and the planning board of Franklin Township. The AAC shall designate a secretary to keep notes of its meeting, which shall be submitted to the Planning Board and Township Committee and shall be deemed to be property of the Township. . The chairperson or his/her appointed designee shall serve as the spokesperson for the committee to the Planning Board and Township Committee.

c. Members must comply with N.J.A.C. 2:76-17A.3) and any other similar regulations in effect now or in the future. Members of the Township AAC or a member of his or her immediate family is prohibited from selling or applying to sell a development easement on his or her property or from selling or applying to sell his or her property in a fee simple title pursuant to the Agriculture Retention and Development Act, N.J.S.A. 4:1C-11 et seq. and the Garden state preservation Trust Act. N.J.S.A. 13:8C-1 et seq. According to such regulations “members of the immediate family” means the members spouse, child, parent, or sibling residing in the same household.

d. A vacancy occurring other than by expiration of the term shall be filled by the Mayor with the consent of the Governing Body for the unexpired term only.

e. Members shall serve without compensation.

### 6.3 Meetings

The AAC shall meet at least three (3) times a year. In addition, the AAC shall meet with the Planning board at least once a year to report on its activities and discussions and to make recommendations.

ATTEST:

TOWNSHIP OF FRANKLIN

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Barbara Freijomil, Clerk

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John Bruno, Mayor

### CERTIFICATION

I, Barbara Freijomil, Clerk of the Township of Franklin, County of Gloucester, do here certify that the foregoing Ordinance was introduced at the Regular Meeting of the Township of Franklin held on March 8, 2022 and thereafter duly advertised in the legal newspaper of the Township at least seven (7) days prior to it being considered for final passage and adoption at a subsequent meeting to be held on April 12, 2022 at which time any person interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard.

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Barbara Freijomil, Municipal Clerk

Introduced March 8, 2022

Name	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Doyle						
Deegan						
Petsch-Wilson						
Flaim						
Bruno						

Adopted April 12, 2022

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