TOWN OF LAKEVILLE Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes November 14th, 2017

Opening:

This meeting was held at the Lakeville Council on Aging at 1 Dear Crossing, Lakeville MA 02347. This meeting was called to order at 7:31pm on November 14th, 2017 by Paul Hunt.

Present:

Paul Hunt, Dave Thomas Jr., Jared Darling, Tracie Treleaven, Joan Morton

Absent:

Shawn Conway, Kelly Conway, Iain Ward

LakeCAM was **not** present to record the meeting.

Review and vote to approve Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes of October 10th, 2017

Upon a motion made by Joan Morton; seconded by Jared Darling it was:

VOTED: To approve the Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes of October 10th, 2017 as presented.

Unanimous in favor

Discuss Potomac Horse Fever info session

Planning is underway for a seminar to take place to inform the local residents about Potomac Horse Fever. Jared Darling is working with a local veterinarian that will come and do a seminar in which the Agricultural Commission will host. Jared Darling would like to hole the seminar during the month of February. Jared Darling will get a list of the local stable owners that will receive invitations from us through the mail. We will have to get a conformation with Kelly Conway if we can hold the seminar to the Senior Center and to obtain a date and time on that. Tracie Treleaven offered to work with the local veterinarian and set up informational packets if that would be of interest. Jared Darling will send Tracie Treleaven the contact information on the veterinarian.

Right to Farm continued discussion

There is no new news on the Right to Farm By-law. We still plan to go with how it was written with the state, adjusting it a little for our town. Our hope is to have it ready for the June town meeting. Paul Hunt will reach out to other local towns and get their right to farm by-laws for us to look over.

Discuss 4H updates.

Dave Thomas posted on Facebook looking for volunteers to get the 4H up and running. He has reached out to the MA 4H seeking out additional information. Volunteers will need to get CORI checked. So far a few volunteers have stepped forward showing interest in helping out and Dave Thomas is following up with them.

Discuss possible new members

There is some interest in new commission members although no one has been appointed. It has been posted on line and on Lake Cam. The positions are still available.

Discuss Winterfest planning

Winterfest is on January 29th from 1-5pm and we are filling out our application for the commission to attend. We do have a spot available for us so we need to start thinking about ideas for the table.

Old business

There is no old business

New business

There is no new business

Any other business that could possibly come before the Agricultural Commission

There is no additional business

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Jared Darling; seconded by Chairman Paul Hunt it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Agricultural Commission October meeting at 8:13pm.

Unanimous in favor.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting will be held on December 11, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Lakeville Council on Aging at 1 Dear Crossing.