

TOWN OF LAKEVILLE
Agricultural Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2016

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 7:06 pm on October 11th 2016 by Paul Hunt.

Present:

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

LakeCAM was recording the meeting.

Absent:

Ann Gredler and Iain Ward

Election of Executive Officers

Upon a motion made by Paul Hunt; seconded by Jared Darling it was: VOTED: To elect Paul Hunt as Chairman of the Agricultural Commission. Unanimous in favor

Upon a motion made by Paul Hunt; seconded by Dave Thomas Jr. it was: VOTED: To elect Tracie Treleaven as Sectary of the Agricultural Commission. Unanimous in favor

Old Business

There was no old business to discuss

New Business

Hunt and Darling brought up discussions about recent rooster complaints. It was discussed with how the commission would approach and handle such complaints and what the process would be as these kinds of situations arise. Further discussions with the board of health and the board of selectmen is suggested on this matter and will continue in the next meeting.

Morton requested an overview and summery of the steering committee and the agricultural commission. Hunt, Conway and Darling described in detail the commissions formation, past and present and the committees goals and objectives.

Thomas talked about the status of the right to farm by-law and that we should continue to make this a top priority working alongside with the board of health and the board of selectmen.

Thomas discussed other ideas that the commission should work on for the community and gave examples of a 4-H Club, farmers markets, and additional agricultural education for interested students and residents of the town. Discussion for the creation of a website was discussed to be used as a tool for the town that would contain helpful links and information pertaining to the Agricultural Committee.

Review and vote to approve Agricultural Commission meeting minutes of “ “

Any othe business that may properly come before the meeting

Kelly Conway suggested using the Southeastern Massachusetts Agricultural Partnership (SEMAP) as a useful link for resources on information and education

Other Items

Darling asked if Alternates were able to sit at the table with the board members if present at a meeting. Hunt agreed that it was acceptable.

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Chairman Paul Hunt; seconded by Shawn Conway it was:

VOTED: To adjourn at 7:46 pm. Unanimous in favor.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting will be held on November 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm at the Lakeville Council on Aging at 1 Dear Crossing,
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