

TOWN OF LAKEVILLE  
Agricultural Commission  
Meeting Minutes  
July 10<sup>th</sup>, 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 7:03 pm on July 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 by Paul Hunt.

**Present:**

Paul Hunt, Tracie Treleaven, Ann Gredler, Dave Thomas Jr., Kelly Conway, Jared Darling

**Absent:**

Iain Ward, Shawn Conway, Joan Morton

LakeCAM was present to record the meeting. Audio was recorded for meeting minute's purposes only.

**Review and vote to approve Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes of May 8th, 2017**

Upon a motion made by Dave Thomas; seconded by Paul Hunt it was:

VOTED:           To approve the Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes of May 8th, 2017 as presented.  
Unanimous in favor

**Discuss updates Agricultural Commission Facebook page**

The Facebook page has been created and Tracie Treleaven is in the process of loading content for it. Dave Thomas has offered to help out with the page along with Ann and Joan of which Tracie needs to set up a time to get together to work on it more and complete it.

**Right to Farm continued discussion**

Ann Gredler and Dave Thomas agree with the Massachusetts Right to Farm by-laws. Ann states that we can tailor it to the Town of Lakeville but first to use what the state has and then adjust it accordingly if needed. This topic is an ongoing discussion and may continue into next month.

**Discuss possible event involvement**

Paul Hunt would like to make some appearances locally for the Agricultural Commission attending the 13th annual Lakeville arts and music festival on September 30<sup>th</sup> between 10am and 4pm. Ann has proposed a booth with cards, props, food, and free samples to draw people to the booth. Paul Hunt will reach out to organizers of the event. Kelly Conway also suggested Winterfest as another local event that the commission could attend. Paul would like for everyone to focus on the festival first and then transition into Winterfest.

**Old business**

Dave Thomas has been working on 4H and has been talking to Tracie Craig-McGee. He is hoping to look for volunteers to help out. Kelly Conway suggested a signup sheet at the arts festival for volunteers and help. Tracie Treleaven Suggested that Brandon Richard showed interested in a 4H program for Lakeville and would reach out to them.

Paul discussed Bill #2465. <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/190/H2465> He was just made aware of and it will be voted on tomorrow. It will affect the Agricultural Commission and the Board of Health and how these two committees interact with one another. The web address for the bill is listed above for additional information on the bill.

Dave Thomas asked about the farmers markets. Joan Morton was to give us an update on that due to her absence this topic will be put on next month's agenda on where Joan Morton stands with the farmers market.

### **New business**

Jared Darling would like to invite the newly appointed Board of Health member to the next Agricultural Commissions meeting for a meet and greet. All agree that would be a good Idea. Jared Darling will reach out and invite him to the August 14<sup>th</sup> meeting which will be held at 7:30pm instead of its usual 7:00pm.

Dave Thomas talked about the helicopter in North Middleboro. The helicopter was most likely applying dry fertilizer onto cranberry bogs and that maybe using Facebook to post information and or notifications like this might be helpful to the community.

### **Any other business that could possibly come before the Agricultural Commission**

There was none.

### **Adjournment**

Upon a motion made by Chairman Paul Hunt; seconded by Dave Thomas it was:

VOTED:           To adjourn the Agricultural Commission March meeting at 7:27pm.  
Unanimous in favor.

### **Next Meeting Date and Time**

The next meeting will be held on August 14, 2017 at 7:30 pm at the Lakeville Council on Aging at 1 Dear Crossing.

**Links:** <https://malegislature.gov/Bills/190/H2465>