TOWN OF LAKEVILLE Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes June 11th, 2018

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 7:30pm on June 11th, 2018 by Paul Hunt.

Present:

Paul Hunt, Kelly Conway, Joan Morton, Dave Thomas Jr., Tracie Treleaven

Absent:

Jared Darling

LakeCAM was present to record the meeting.

Review Previous Meetings

Upon a motion made by Joan Morton; seconded by Paul Hunt it was:

VOTED: To approve the Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes of April 9th, 2018 as presented.

Unanimous in favor

Meet with Selectman John Powderly

John Powderly talked to the commission about the field at Bettys Neck. The previous lease has abruptly stopped and the field is in need of maintaining and getting hayed. John is reaching out to the commission to see if we can help find a solution for the field or to see if we can find someone to cut it or even lease it from the town. The parcel is about 40 acres in size and looks visually good but is in need of care and maybe fertilization. John is also open to other suggestions. The commission will reach out to local farmers and see if we can find someone interested in the parcel to bale or possibly use the land for other farming purposes.

4H Updates

Dave Thomas stated that there was no progress with the 4H paperwork. Dave asked John if he would be open to the possibility of opening up his property to a 4H club. John stated that he loves the idea but would have to further discuss with his daughter

Future Events discussion

A fall harvest/pre winterfest on a smaller scale during the fall time to help keep the commission in the public eye and to also help with small expenses that the commission may occur

Potential members discussion

Mr. Van Hoven is interested in joining the commission. He has been a farmer for many years and has lots of experience in that area. Other positions are still available for the commission

Election of position discussion/election

Paul Hunt talked about the position for the Chair up for reelection for the commission and entire commission discussed leaving as it is for the following year making no changes.

Upon a motion made by Joan Morton; seconded by Kelly Conway it was:

VOTED: To Have Paul Hunt Maintain status as Chairman of the Agricultural Commission, on June 11th,

2018 as presented. Unanimous in favor

Any other business that could possibly come before the Agricultural Commission

Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Paul Hunt; seconded by Joan Morton it was:

VOTED: To adjourn the Agricultural Commission June11th meeting at 8:01pm.

Next Meeting Date and Time

The next meeting will be held in July 16th, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Lakeville Council on Aging at 1 Dear Crossing.