

East Haddam Agriculture Commission
February 6, 2017
Town Office Annex

Present: Ron Gross, Marianne Halpin, Tanya Bourgoïn, Mark Henderson, Peter Dean, Carleen Quinn.

Chairman Ron Gross called the meeting to order at 7:15.
Tanya Bourgoïn and Mark Henderson seated as voting members for the meeting.

Motion to approve January 23 minutes/budget: Peter Dean. Seconded by Mark Henderson.
Minutes approved. Kevin Staehly dissented by mail.

New concept regarding Community Garden:
Mark Henderson asked how the Community Garden might be more appealing to the town as a whole. Mark researched various towns and found that many community gardens are near the various towns' senior centers. Mark proposed relocating to a piece of land near the EH Senior Center. Mark suggested that we could start small.

Status of the Middle School Garden:
Was the grant for fencing lost?

Planning and Zoning Farming Regulations:
Discussion postponed until the March Agriculture Commission meeting.
Tanya Bourgoïn will email P&Z original documents to Agriculture Commission members.

Proposed Gardening Workshops:
Soil Preparation and Amendments (Grange?)
Mark and Tanya will meet as subcommittee to put together speakers' list.
Motion to adjourn: Peter Dean

Next meeting: March 6, 7 pm, Town Hall Annex

Respectfully submitted,
Marianne Halpin, Secretary