

Agriculture Commission
Monday, September 18th
Special Meeting
Town Office Annex
7:00 P.M.

1. **Call to Order** at 7:06 P.M.

2. **Attendance**

Present: Jessica Stone, Scot Mackinnon, Peter Dean, Harvey Thomas, Dennie Burak, Marianne Halpin, Heather Johnson, student liaison.

Absent: Linda Stuhlman, Peg Carlson.

3. **Approval of Minutes** Unanimous. Motion: Stone, Second: Burak.

4. **Liaison Reports**

A. FFA Student Report

Heather Johnson reports that FFA will participate in The Big E this year.

B. Other

Commission member Dennie Burak announced her eventual departure from the Commission for a move to Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. All wished her well.

5. **Ongoing Projects**

A. Farmers' Market

The Farmers' Market is doing okay. Kids' Day coming in two weeks.

B. Community Agriculture Center

Moving on to the well and electrical installation phase.

C. Status of grant Applications

Waiting to hear from the state.

D. Website Management

Expansion possibilities on track pending funding.

E. Proposed Right-To-Farm ordinance

Unanimously approved with amendments. Motion: Stone, Second: Dean. Chairman will send final copy to the Board of Selectmen for review.

F. Ag Commission Logo

Unanimously approved with adjustments. Motion: Stone, Second: Burak.

6. Future Projects

A. Another Environmental Round Table is planned, sponsored by Chairman Thomas and his wife Pat. Possible outreach events were discussed including involvement from Gary at Priam's Vineyard in Colchester. Pete Dean will see if his son-in-law would be willing to talk about beef production.

7. Audience of Citizens

No audience present

8. Adjournment at 8:06 P.M.