

AGRICULTURE COMMISSION

Monday, November 4, 2013

Town Office Annex

MINUTES

Call to Order: 7:00 pm

Attendance: Members of the Board present: P. Dean, M. Halpin, N. Mackinnon, J. Savitsky, George Scrivener, S. Mackinnon, L. Stuhlman, Citizens and guest present: R. Simmons, J. Stone, S. Weaver

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of October 7 were approved.

M. Halpin asked what constituted a quorum for the Agricultural Commission. S. Mackinnon said that it is more than half of the membership of the Commission.

Ongoing Projects:

Liaisons to other Commissions

At the first meeting of the Agricultural Commission the Board decided to stay in touch with other Boards which have relevance to our Commission. The Economic Development Commission, the Conservation Commission. Also Future Farmers of America at the High School.

Since Mr. Mackinnon was on the Conservation Commission, he agreed at that meeting to be a liaison. H. Thomas and P. Dean agreed to be liaisons with FFA at that time.

L. Stuhlman reported that she had spoken with Kip Kolesinskas about coming to East Haddam Agricultural Commission to speak. N. Mackinnon made a motion to have a meeting with Kip Kolesinskas to present to a joint meeting of the Agricultural Commission, the Economic Development Commission, and the Conservation Commission. The Board approved.

M. Halpin suggested binders for members. Additionally, new Board members in the future would receive binders which would already include information relevant to the Commission.

Center for Community Agriculture

S. Mackinnon, as chair, devoted the rest of the meeting to an overview and timeline of the Harris Property Project (CCA).

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30

The next meeting will be on November 4, 2013 at 7 pm in the Town Office Annex.

Respectfully submitted,

Marianne Halpin, Secretary