Town of Candia  
Agricultural Commission  
74 High Street  
Candia, New Hampshire 03034

FINAL MINUTES

September 5, 2019  Thursday 7:00PM  Candia Town Hall

Commission Members present: Chair Matthew Cobb, Vice Chair June Petrin, Jacqueline Wilkins, Tom DiMaggio, Debbie Graff, William Haas. Excused: Jenny Tyler.
Commission Alternates present: Robin Vergato, Debra Cobb, Dick Snow (arrived at 7:05PM), Joe Lamarche (arrived at 7:15PM), Pattie Davis (arrived at 7:15PM).

Call to Order
- Chair Matthew Cobb called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.
- Pledge of Allegiance recited by Commission Members and Alternates.

Approval of Minutes From Last Meeting
- Unanimously accepted, moved by Tom DiMaggio, seconded by June Petrin.

Opportunity for The Public to Address The Commission
- Marilyn Plummer spoke and recommended emailing to acknowledge those who have completed a mailing list survey.

Treasurer's Report
- Donations have been received totaling $225.

Old Business
- Review of Old Home Day
  - Members who were at the Agricultural Commission booth talked with the public. Currently 47 people are now on the mailing list.
  - There was a discussion around the need for improved communication amongst members of this Commission around planning future events.
- Discussion of Lecture/Clinic Series
  - Members would like to create fliers/handouts regarding The Agricultural Commission for future events.
A plan was made to get an Agricultural Commission banner made and withdraw money from the AG Fund for this.

Kathy Kuhn is scheduled to present on Bee Keeping and Effects on Bees 10/15 6:30PM- 8:00PM at the Public Library. This will be free to the Public.

Marilyn Plummer will be presenting on Soap Making 11/14 6:30PM- 9:00PM at The Congregational Church. There will be a maximum of 10 participants with a $35 fee per person. There will be a wait list sign up sheet for people who would like to participate when this event is held again in the future.

Possible topics for future events and locations were discussed.

Pattie Davis will post the events on the AG and Candia Face Book Pages.

Jacqueline Wilkins will get fliers made for these two scheduled events and email members for preview.

• Discussion of Draft Zoning Amendments
  ▪ Change the definition of Agriculture to RSA 21:34a so that it is constant with the State of New Hampshire Statute.
  ▪ Discussion around Type of Land Use.

• Update on Funding Requests
  ▪ Need to submit a formal request for the $2,500 budget request.

New Business

• Chair Matthew Cobb attended the Capitol Improvements Plan (CIP) meeting. No further action needed at this time.

Other Business

• If a member wants to be included as a recipient for emails by the Public to The Agricultural Commission, they need to contact the Town Webmaster.

• There is a conference “Agritourism: Building Connection Between Farmers, Customers and Communities” that will be held on 11/4 in Greenland NH- spread the word.

Public Comment

• Sandra Allen in attendance.

Next Meeting: October 3, 2019 Thursday at 7:00PM

Adjournment

Chair Matt Cobb adjourned the meeting at 8:28PM.

Respectfully submitted by,
Robin Vergato, Secretary