

Town of Candia Agricultural Commission 74 High Street

Candia, New Hampshire 03034

FINAL MINUTES

October 3, 2019

Thursday 7:00PM

Candia Town Hall

Commission Members present: Chair Matthew Cobb, Vice Chair June Petrin, Jenny Tyler, Jacqueline Wilkins, Tom DiMaggio, Debbie Graff, William Haas(arrived at 7:07PM).

Commission Alternates present: Robin Vergato. Excused: Debra Cobb, Dick Snow, Pattie Davis, Joe Lamarche.

Call to Order

- Chair Matthew Cobb called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.
- Pledge of Allegiance recited by Commission Members and Alternate.

Approval of Minutes From Last Meeting

Unanimously accepted, moved by Tom DiMaggio, seconded by Jenny Tyler.

Opportunity for The Public to Address The Commission:

Several people from The Public attended and did not elect to address The Commission.

Treasurers Report

- Donations have been received and total AG Fund is \$574.60.
- The AG banner order has been placed. The cost is \$120.

Old Business

- Update on Zoning Amendments
 - Chair Matthew Cobb attended a subcommittee of The Planning Board and the proposed
 Zoning designation change from R to RA was discussed.
 - There was discussion regarding the potential impact of a 3 acre minimum and special exception.
 - Jenny Tyler attended a Planning Board Meeting held on 10/2/19 and reports there was a discussion regarding smaller lot sizes and potentially limiting large animals that she does not support.
 - NH AG Commissions RSA Section 674:44-f Powers was reviewed and discussed, in particular, III and IV.
- Discussion of Budget Warrant Article

The AG Commission needs to submit a request for funds. Chair Matthew Cobb talked with Donna Becker regarding this. Members revisited the amount to be requested and Jacqueline Wilkins moved for the amount to be \$1,000, this was seconded by Jenny Tyler, passed unanimously.

• Update on Bee Seminar

 Being held on 10/15/19 6:30-8:00PM at Smyth Public Library. This event is free to the Public. There is a sign up sheet at the Library. AG members and alternates are encouraged to share this event on their FaceBook and others pages.

• Updates on other events

Jacqueline Wilkins is working on fliers for the Soap Making event.

New Business

- It is recommended that members commenting in The AG FaceBook Page put their initials so that it is more clear who is responding. It was suggested that The AG minutes be posted on The AG FaceBook Page. There was a discussion around posting sign up sheets for the AG mailing list/events calendar/reminders on The AG FaceBook Page.
- There was a discussion encouraging regular attendance of voting members of The AG Commission to monthly meetings.
- Creating Bio's of the AG Commission members for the FaceBook Page/ Town Website was discussed.

• Possible Change of Time or Venue

 Moving forward the AG Meeting will start at 6:30PM in order to be done by 8:00PM when the Candia Town Hall closes.

Public Comment

Ashley Paige of North Rd would like to see a Farmer's Market created in Candia. This will be
discussed at a future meeting and the Public is welcome to attend and participate in this discussion.

Next Meeting: November 7, 2019 Thursday at 6:30PM.

Adjournment

Chair Matt Cobb adjourned the meeting at 8:20PM, moved by June Petrin, seconded by Tom DiMaggio, all in favor unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by, Robin Vergato, Secretary