



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

FINAL MINUTES

January 6, 2022

Thursday 7:00 PM

Candia Town Hall

Commission Members present: Chair Matthew Cobb, Vice Chair June Petrin, Tom DiMaggio, Ron Howe, Joe Lamarche, Darrel Nafranowicz. Excused: Robin Vergato

Commission Alternates present: Debra Cobb, Ken Madden. Excused: Cody Wood, Pattie Davis.

Call to Order

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

Public in Attendance

- *One individual interested in becoming an alternate attended.

Regular Business

***Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting on December 2, 2021**

-moved by June Petrin, seconded by Darrel Nafranowicz, all in favor unanimously.

***Treasurer's Report**

-Treasurer's report was presented; we have a balance of \$2579.99. Approval of the treasurer's report was moved by Ron Howe, seconded by Tom DiMaggio, all in favor unanimously.

Old Business

***Lecture Series**

- The town library flooded over the Christmas Holiday and will be unavailable for our monthly lecture series until further notice. We have currently scheduled the Town Hall Meeting room for our lecture in January and Matt Cobb will confirm February's availability. Dick Snow

advised the Town Hall Meeting room is currently available the second Tuesday of the month and we should inquire about booking the room until further notice. Other options are being explored in the event of a conflict, i.e., the Masonic Hall. Chair, Matt Cobb will follow up with Jerry Becker regarding same.

- January's lecture with Forester, Greg Jordan, is set for 1/11/2022 at 7:00pm at the Town Hall. Mr. Jordan's presentation will be 1 hour in length, with ½ hour focused on small woodlot management and ½ hour focused on the destructive Emerald Ash Borers. Additional advertising with photographs of the Ash Borer and damaged trees to be posted for the presentation.

- February's lecture is scheduled for February 8, 2022 at 7pm on the subject of Invasive Plant Species. Doug Cygna will be presenting.

- Future lecture series are not on the calendar and the committee members are working to schedule future lectures include the subject of Composting, Raising Chickens, and Food Preservation methods. We discussed other lectures on sugaring to occur Jan/Feb 2023.

- We will look to expand our promotions for our lecture series. The Candia Garden Club may be a resource. Approach other Businesses in town to post our flyer.

- Dick Snow will be present on January 11, 2022 to handle the zoom presentation of the Forester's lecture. We would like a public link to be available to access the lecture on line afterwards. This takes space and therefore we agreed to inquire about having the link present following the lecture for one month, to be replaced by the next lecture on a monthly basis. Dick Snow will speak to Catherine Sangillo.

***Upcoming Membership Terms**

- Membership terms are three years; there is no term limit. Four members terms end in March 2022; Members: Matt Cobb, June Petrin, Robin Vergato, and Alternate: Pattie Davis. All members and alternates expressed interest in continuing in their present rolls. Motion for Matt Cobb to continue was moved by June Petrin, seconded by Darrel Nafranowicz, all in favor unanimously. Motion for June Petrin to continue was moved by Darrel Nafranowicz, seconded by Matt Cobb, all in favor unanimously. Motion for Robin Vergato and Pattie Davis to continue was moved by Tom DiMaggio, seconded by Ron Howe, all in favor unanimously. Dick Snow asked that each individual submit an email to the Board that they would like to continue on the committee.

***Boy scout Flyer**

- Flyer was prepared by June Petrin covering both the Agricultural Commission and our educational series, along with the Farmers Market. There is a flat fee for the inclusion of our flyer.

New Business

***Annual Report**

- Annual report has been prepared by Matt Cobb, reviewed by the committee and approved after minor changes, for submission.

***Farmers Market 2022**

-Our first meeting to prepare the season is being held on Thursday 1-20-22 at the Town Hall from 10am to Noon. All are welcome. We are hopeful all the repairs at the library will be completed prior to May 2022, as we hold the Farmers Market on the side lawn.

Public Comment

No public comment

Next Meeting: February 3, 2022 Thursday at 7:00PM.

Adjournment

*Chair Matthew Cobb adjourned the meeting at 7:41PM, moved by Tom DiMaggio, seconded by June Petrin, all in favor unanimously.

**Respectfully submitted by,
Darrel Nafranowicz, on behalf of Robin Vergato, Secretary**