

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

FINAL MINUTES

April 7, 2022

Thursday 7:00 PM

Candia Town Hall

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

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

Call to Order

*Chair Matthew Cobb called the meeting to order at 7:04PM. *Pledge of Allegiance was recited by Commission Members and Alternates.

Public in Attendance

*No Public.

Regular Business

*Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting on March 3, 2022.

-Moved by Tom DiMaggio, seconded by June Petrin, passed unanimously.

*Treasurer's Report

-There is balance of \$2,546.64 in the Agricultural Commission bank account. There was a deposit of \$255.00 from the Farmer's Market applications and Debits of \$265 for the Boy Scout flyers and \$23.99 for Business Cards. Bank Interest for March was \$.20. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was moved by Darrel Nafranowicz, seconded by Tom DiMaggio, passed unanimously.

Old Business

*Lecture Series:

-The details of the April 12th Lecture on Birds of Prey were discussed. It will be held at the Town Meeting room and the Pavillion on Tuesday 4/12 at 7:00PM. There will be 4 Birds including an owl and hawk. An 8-foot table will be needed, and Darrel Nafranowicz will look into a cover for the table. Someone will be needed at the door of the event to direct attendees. There will be Agricultural Commission flyers to hand out.

-The May Lecture on Composting and Manure will be held on 5/3 at 7PM at Charming Fare Farm. Setup will be at 6:30PM. Cody Wood is working on getting a table, extension cords, a laptop, and a projector to display information-more details will follow. There will be a fee of \$58 for the Lecture that will come out of the Agricultural Commission bank account. Cody Wood will email Debra Cobb the information so that a check can be made.

-There was a brief discussion around the Avian Flu and Chair Matt Cobb will prepare information on this to post on the Town Website and Agricultural Commission Facebook Page.

*Moore School Agriculture Day

-It will be held on May 26, 2022, with a rain date of May 27, 2022. The presenter's list was reviewed. Potential presenters to add were discussed and members will reach out to determine interest.

-Chair Matt Cobb will talk with Meg Moranz to put together something to send out to presenters to see what they will need that day?

-There was a discussion around having a seed table/starter pots. Heidi Bothwell has offered to be at the table to facilitate.

*Farmer's Market Update

-12 vendors have paid and confirmed so far. Communications have occurred with about 20 people who have inquired.

-For the wine/beer tasting a final signature from the State Liquor Commissioner will be needed. 2 Breweries are interested. A diagram still needs to be submitted.

-There was a discussion around the liability waiver that was used last year and whether to continue using it or require vendors have an insurance binder. One possibility could be to investigate a group policy so that vendors could share the insurance expense. More information will be gathered before a decision will be made.

*Town Wide Yard Sale

-The date will be June 11th. There was a discussion if the Agricultural Commission has enough items to participate. A location for the table could be at Candray.

New Business

Officer Positions

-This will be discussed at next month's meeting. Anyone desiring a position or to step down should let Chair Matt Cobb know. The Vice Chair position that will be open will need to be a voting member. This will open an Alternate position.

Public Comment

-No Public comments.

Next Meeting: May 5, 2022, Thursday at 7:00PM.

Adjournment

*Chair Matt Cobb adjourned the meeting at 8:03PM, moved by Ken Madden, seconded by June Petrin, all in favor unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by, Robin Vergato, Secretary