

Boxborough Agricultural Commission

Meeting Minutes- Wednesday October 24th, 2012

Meeting Called to Order: 7:39 PM by Chairman Neyland

Present: Clerk Morrison and Member Neville and Becker

Agenda Review:

1. Review and Approval of Meeting Minutes
 - a. Member Neville moved to approve the minutes from September 19th, 2012 as amended.
 - i. Motion seconded by Chairman Neyland
2. Public Participation
 - a. No Public Present
3. Master Plan- Member Becker
 - a. No Updates at this time
4. Website Enhancements- No Updates
5. Right to Farm Bylaw Signage, DPW Update
 - a. Chairman Neyland looking into set up costs for prints. In addition, he will provide a list of roads in and out of town for possible posting locations. Noted by Member Neville, committee should reach out to schools beyond Blanchard such as Minuteman and ABRH
6. Steele Farm- Conservation/Historical Preservation
 - i. Chairman Neyland attended the meeting of the Steele Farm committee and noted they are open to changes or improvements to the existing location. Also noted, they are open to changes after the historical preservation goes through.
 - ii. Chairman Neyland to schedule and post a site walk on November 3rd 2012 of the existing location.
7. Reiterate the BOS charge to other Town Boards- No Update
8. Schedule Community Garden Review
 - a. Date for review is scheduled for November 15th 2012
 - b. Chairman Neyland to have Elizabeth Hughes reach out to abutters for attendance
 - c. Chairman Neyland to have the girl scouts present on their year
 - i. Member Becker requested a note added to ask about the Tomato Blight during review
9. Public Input, Emails, Correspondence
 - a. Bob Robinson inquired about potentially making the Steele Farm hay field a lease that would include the land on the Picnic Street Trust
 - b. Member Becker mentioned a complaint about the cost of eggs in town from road side stands. As discussed, the Committee is unable to influence this topic as townspeople have the right to sell their eggs at any cost.
10. New Business
 - a. Member Neville motioned to request the same fiscal 2013 budget as 2012. Motion seconded by member Becker
 - b. Committee to reach out to Jim Faulkner in regards to his year of grazing goats on Littlefield Road
 - c. Clerk Morrison made a request to move meetings starting on December 19th 2012 to 7:00pm from the current 7:30 start time in addition to forecasting out the first quarter of 2013

Meeting Closed: 8:35 PM by Member Neville – Seconded by Chairman Neyland