Colchester Agriculture Commission

Monday March 20, 2017 – 7:00 PM

Town Hall Meeting Room 3

MEETING MINUTES - O. Duksa

PRESENT COMMISSION MEMBERS: C. Bourque, O. Duksa, D. Wisniewski ABSENT COMMISSION MEMBERS: D. Rosenblatt PRESENT ALTERNATES: C. Csere ABSENT ALTERNATIVES: L. Curtis TOWN LIAISON: S. Soby ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES: S. Love, Board of Finance

Meeting began at 7:03

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURE COMMISSION ON: February 27, 2017

Moved: D. Wisniewski

Seconded: O. Duksa

Approved

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

Frank St. John, 25 Rudder Lane, inquired re: livestock regulations.

C. Bourque indicated that the Commission was researching in order to make recommendations

S. Soby also confirmed that Planning and Zoning were also involved in changes, but no decisions had been made as yet.

FARM TO SCHOOL:

C. Bourque updated the Commission on recent Farm To School activities. The 2nd graders will be hatching chickens and growing herbs



JULY FARM TOURS:

Katherine Kosiba, president of the Colchester Garden Club and coordinator of the Farm Tours.

The 35 guests that will be participating in the July 29th tour will visit the Colchester Giving Garden, Ruby Cohen Butterfly Garden, Cugno Farm, Cato Corner Farm, Priam Vineyard and Toney Palakewitz's garden. The tour will end with a Farm to Table lunch held at Westchester Congregational Church.

NEW BUSINESS:

Katherine Kosiba suggested community garden plots and asked for ideas about location and management.

D. Wisniewski reported on the March 3rd round table meeting with Senator Murphy to discuss agricultural issues.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING: D. Wisniewski

Seconded: O. Duksa

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by O. Duksa.

Minutes amended 05/17/2017 by D. Rosenblatt

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