

SPECIAL MEETING
draft MINUTES
Guilford Agricultural Commission
March 25, 2019
2351 Durham Rd
Guilford, Ct 06437

GUILFORD TOWN HALL
19 MAR 29 AM 11:56

Note: Minutes not final until approved at subsequent meeting.

Members Present: Kim Brockett, Peter Perkins, Janet Dudley, Diane Augur, Barbara Hammarlund & John Hammarlund

Absent: Cliff Merin

Staff: Kevin Magee – Environmental Planner - Absent

Items on the agenda were addressed in the order that would best expedite the meeting.

Commissioner Peter Perkins opened the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner John Hammarlund and seconded by Commissioner Kim Brockett to approve the agenda. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. Approval of Minutes

- February 25, 2019

Motion made by Commissioner Janet Dudley and seconded by Commissioner Kim Brockett to approve the meeting minutes from February 25, 2019 with the correction to Section 6 Other Business to say support and encourage the purchase if they are interested in pursuing it. The motion was approved. John Hammarlund abstained.

3. Public Forum (3 minutes per person)

- No one spoke during public forum

4. Old Business

A. Northern Heights Well Grant

Peter Perkins is planning to do the roof on the well house and will have it done by next meeting in April.

B. Discussion regarding membership

- Brenden Butterly is interested in a position and will follow up

C. Access way to upper grazing area-

John stated that he and Kevin meet at the property. They walked access road which starts at the water tank goes along property lines, the driveway to the the four acre lot and along a wetlands area. John believes that he can slope the hill near the 9 acre parcel to avoid working in the wetlands. He would also use the excavator to remove the invasive plants so they do not grow back. If he cut the hill side the work will be limited to the review area.

D. Discussion regarding licensed properties

- Barbara Hammarlund handed in her hay report.
- Kim Brockett ask if there are dates for walk and a good time for them would be before there are leaves on the trees.

E. Agricultural Display

Earth Fest is on April 27, 2019 at the Guilford Fair Grounds, will need to get agricultural items from local venders to display such as maple syrup containers and H2O farm products. Barbara Hammarlund will contact UConn Agricultural for information. A suggestion was made to have Agricultural businesses from the town display their product at the booth.

Need to check to see if Farm Bureau dues are current.

5. New Business

Discussion of rotation of meeting locations to North Guilford. It was suggested that the monthly meetings for the Agricultural Commission be moved to the Dudley Farm – Munger Barn for the months of March to August and at the Community Center for October thru February. Janet Dudley will check the calendar for the Dudley Farm-Munger Barn. The time 7:30 will stay the same, the only change is the location.

6. Other Business: None

7. Correspondence:

Letter from Mr. Burstein regarding 86 Middle Rd – Jan. 28, 2019 meeting minutes

Peter Perkins made a motion to table this item to April 15, 2019 and John Hammarlund seconded. It was unanimously approved.

8. Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner John Hammarlund and seconded by Commissioner Kim Brockett to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by

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