

draft MINUTES
Guilford Agricultural Commission
November 16, 2015
Community Center- 32 Church St, Leete Room
Note: Minutes not final until approved at subsequent meeting.

**Members Present: Paul Wettemann, William Butterly, Kim Brockett, Pete Perkins
Janet Dudley**

Absent: Gary Arbuckle and John Hammerlund

**Staff: Kevin Magee – Environmental Planner
Michelle C. Nazario – Recording Secretary**

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

Chairman William Butterly called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

1. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Csmr. W. Butterly and seconded by Csmr. P. Wettemann to approve the agenda and it was unanimously approved.

2. Approval of Minutes
-October 19, 2015

Motion made by Csmr. P. Perkins and seconded by Csmr. K. Brockett the approval of meeting minutes from October 19, 2015 it was unanimously approved.

3. Public Forum
-None

4. New Business
-None

5. Old Business

A. Northern Heights Grant Project – Kevin Magee stated that the conservation district overseeing the grant wanted an update on the project, even though most of the fence posts are in. He stated that in order to get paid the rest of the grant money the work needs to be completed. Csmr. P. Wettemann can help on Wednesday, November 18 in the afternoon as well as Csmr. P. Perkins. Csmr. B. Butterly and Csmr. K. Brockett will be able to help on Saturday, November 21, 2015. Kevin Magee will bring the fencing and other needed materials.

Kevin Magee spoke about another grant for a well on the property. He would like to submit the paper work for the well to be installed in early to late spring of 2016. He needs to get quotes for piping, electricity and excavating. He cannot submit this until the Fencing Grant is completed.

B. Licenses revisions for Dudley Preserves and Northern Heights Haying/Harvesting

Kevin Magee stated that there are no restrictions on property and it is up to the commission to put them in. The 4 to 8 acres between the properties to be keep as haying.

The Dudley Preserve 16 acres parcel has no specifications for Agriculture and the 3 acre parcel is subjected to the agricultural use of as defined by Connecticut General Statues 1-16.

Csmr. P. Wettemann commented that when the contract is up it should be returned to the previous condition.

Csmr. B. Butterly asked how it will be put out for bid and is it what they want to plant?

Kevin Magee made changes to the contract and once it is approved by the commission it will go to town counsel for review before it goes out.

Csmr. P. Wettemann asked about getting equipment on part of Dino's property located at Crooked Hill area, who has rights to the south section?

6. Other Business

--2016 meeting dates

A motion was made by Csmr. B. Butterly and seconded by Csmr. J. Dudley to accept the meeting dates for 2016 the Agricultural Commission, it was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Csmr. B. Butterly and seconded by Csmr. J. Dudley to cancel the meeting for Monday, December 21, 2015, it was unanimously approved.

7. Correspondence

- None

8. Adjournment

Motion by Csmr. P. Wettemann and seconded by Csmr. K. Brockett to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m. was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted by

Michelle C. Nazario
Recording Secretary