

MARSHFIELD AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MEETING
December 6, 2016

Meeting called to order 7:30 PM at the Town Hall, Lunch Room.

Attending: Lorrie Dahlen, Sarah Garretson Lowry, Annie Massed, Carolyn Housman, Robert Dougherty, Karen Vieira, Scott Franklin

Absent: Carleton Chandler, Susan Keith

The minutes from 11/1/16 meeting were accepted as amended.

Lorrie motioned to accept the minutes as amended, Sarah seconded the motion. All eligible members present approved the minutes as amended.

Treasury Report

Balance \$4,797.70

Lecture Subcommittee

The Spring lectures will be held on Saturday March 4, 2017, at the Marshfield Senior Center, from 9 am-12:30 pm. There are six lectures and four speakers for this event. Lorrie made a motion to approve a budget up to \$1,600.00 for speaker fees, posters/brochures/handouts and COA janitorial services. Karen seconded the motion and all present were in favor.

Right to Farm Signage in town - update

Jim at Marshfield DPW arranged through an approved vendor to make 6 Right to Farm signs. 2 signs will be placed at each of the following locations: Route 3A, Route 139 and Union Street, at each end of town. Tom Reynolds will have the signs installed. The signs cost \$60.00 each for a total of \$360.00. Lorrie made a motion to approve a budget of up to \$400.00 for the Right to Farm Signs.

Annie seconded the motion and all present were in favor.

Update regarding Town Charter meeting

On 11/17/16, Lorrie, Carolyn and Karen attended the Town Charter meeting. Lorrie was invited to speak during the public comments portion of the meeting. Lorrie also submitted in writing the comments and suggestions the Agricultural Commission had discussed.

Community Garden Update

Annie is getting estimates on deer fencing for the community gardens. Annie has applied for a grant from Home Depot.

Next meeting will be held Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at 7:30 PM.

Lorrie motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Sarah seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Garretson Lowry, Secretary