Marshfield Agricultural Commission Minutes

Meeting of November 16, 2022

The meeting was held in Hearing Room 2 at the Town Hall. Attending were Ed Duane, Karen Vieira, Delia Longchamp, Cecilia Delgardillo, Annie Massed, Caleen Alexanderson, Lorrie Dahlen and Norma Haskins.

At 7:01PM Karen made a motion, seconded by Cecilia to open the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of October 11th were reviewed and amended. Karen made a motion, seconded by Ed to accept the minutes as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

CPC Project- Coast Guard Hill- Cecilia has checked with the contractor who has not yet received a check. As soon as he does he will order the materials. There is a cleanup set for November 19th to remove the old fencing and clean up the lot.

CPC Project- Mounce Meadows- Ed and Delia report the bid needs to be approved by the Board of Selectmen who need to sign the contract. Ed is to attend the next meeting on 11/21 to see to that. Karen has purchased the shrubs and they are in storage in the shed at the garden. The project should take one to two weeks to complete. We will notify neighbors when the project is to begin. We expect the project to be completed by December 15th.

Community Garden- Annie reports the expenses have been tabulated for the 2022 season and we have spent a little over the set aside funds by \$6.69. The two bat houses have been installed on one single post, leaving a post unused. She would like to have two more houses made for the second post. It was decided to give her the two bat houses from the Coast Guard Hill gardens that are still not installed. She is still looking to have more bat houses made for our gardens. It was discussed getting the boy scouts involved in building some bat houses over the winter to install in the spring. Karen made a motion, seconded by Ed to set aside \$221.88 for funds to build more bat houses. It was voted and passed, unanimously. Karen also made a motion, seconded by Ed to set aside and additional \$6.69 to cover items purchased for the Mounce Gardens in 2022. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Cecilia told us of participating in a soil testing event in Sharon and she thought our Community Garden would benefit from an event like that. The Program is run by the Massachusetts Master Gardeners Association. We discussed the possibility of having scout working to build the shed and/or fix the greenhouse for the Coast Guard hill garden. We talked about other options such as South Shore Vo-Tech School or the veterans assist, and the size and amenities that would be needed such as shelves, vent and door size.

Cecilia told us she had source for seeds for next year for the sale.

Next meeting will be 12/7/22. Meeting adjourned at 7:56PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Norma Haskins, Secretary