Marshfield Agricultural Commission Minutes

Meeting of September 12th, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7:45PM at the Lunch Room in Town Hall.

Attending were Lorrie Dahlen, Ed Duane, Annie Massed, and Norma Haskins,

The minutes of the meeting of July 19th were reviewed. After making an amendment Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Ed to accept the minutes as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Discussion followed concerning our upcoming Town Meeting article. Lorrie will be away for the Advisory Board hearing. Norma and Ed will attend to answer any questions that may arise. Reviewed a number of questions that may come up and how they should be answered. Lorrie will be back for Town Meeting in October.

Community Gardens and Mounces Meadow. Annie supplied a list of chores (attached) to be done there to close up for winter. Among the chores was the old deer fencing must be removed, weeds cleared from the perimeter, and the cardboard must be laid down and covered with wood chips. This is in preparation of the new solar deer fence in the spring. Annie needs volunteers and we discussed ways to be used to encourage them. Lorrie asked if the Conservation Commission had approved the new fence. That is still yet to be done. Annie needs assistance from the DPW to get a load of chips delivered from the transfer station. Ed suggested waiting until a hard frost to do the project. Brief discussion on the needs of the community garden followed.

One of the flower farms is leaving Mounce's Meadow. The Mounce's Meadow Farmer search team will consider replacement.

New Community Garden- Carolyn and Lorrie visited the Dubois property. They decided which trees need to be removed to improve conditions for a proposed garden. DPW has said they can clear the trees in the fall when they demolish the house that still stands on the property. The Ag Commission is trying to meet up with the DPW at the site to review this option.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary