

Marshfield Agricultural Commission Minutes

Meeting of April 15th, 2019

Meeting called to order at 7:30PM in the Fairgrounds Administration Building.

Attending were Lorrie Dahlen, Carolyn Housman, Karen Vieira and Norma Haskins.

Minutes- The minutes of the meeting of March 18th were reviewed. After making several corrections Lorrie made a motion seconded by Karen to accept the minutes as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously.

Adopt a Seedling- Lorrie reports the strawberry roots arrive tomorrow. She feels they should be fine if left as is rather than starting in pots. There was a brief discussion on funds spent and what still needs to be purchased. Lorrie discussed the new handouts she has prepared and how she thought they should be used/displayed. We also discussed ways to make the Adopt a Seedling event more consumer friendly as well as offer educational opportunities for buyers to select the type of tomatoes they would like. Lorrie recapped what each of us was growing. There will be only about half as many varieties of tomatoes this year. Still it will number about 25 different tomatoes.

We discussed Erika's presentation at her talk and her suitability for our fall lecture series.

Mounce Meadow- Lorrie reports no changes since the last meeting. She will be meeting with neighbors soon.

The Recreation Dept. has asked if the Ag Com is interested in taking over the management of their community gardens at Coast Guard Hill. These are small raised beds and in need of some rehabilitation. Carolyn is concerned with the

cost of maintenance of these raised beds. Lorrie is to check with them and see if they are willing to help with the cost to rehab. She will check to see if any of the Community gardeners at Mounce Meadows live in the area and would like to move over to the new location.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38PM.

Next Meeting will be May 9th at 540 Union St.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary