Marshfield Agricultural Commission Minutes

Meeting of May 26, 2021

Lorrie Dahlen made a motion at 7:00, seconded by Noma to open the ZOOM meeting. It was voted and passed unanimously by a roll call vote. Attending were Lorrie Dahlen, Caleen Alexanderson, Norma Haskins, Kristen Webb and Ed Duane. Lorrie read the Notes to Remote Meetings into the minutes.

The minutes for the meeting of April 28th were reviewed. After review Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Norma to accept the minutes as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote.

CPC Project Business – Coast Guard Hill – Caleen and Lorrie provided an update. Marta had finished constructing the 10th raised bed. Loam/compost had been delivered but the quality was unsatisfactory and the vendor has agreed to deliver an additional 5 yards. After Marta is finished 12 raised beds, the next project is to work on the deer fence. Since we cannot install electric fence, netting will used instead.

Caleen has agreed to become the manager at Community Gardens at Coast Guard Hill. Caleen reported concerns from applicants that the compost bins need to be cleaned out and/or rebuilt. The old logs are need to be removed from the site. Ed (joins the meeting at 7:20PM) explains he has reached out repeatedly to the DPW but has gotten no traction yet, but will keep trying.

Other Community Garden Business- Ed reports that the water pipe has been installed at Mounce's Meadow Community Garden. A 2" pipe has been connected to hoses and the barrels have been filled. Ed and Lorrie briefly discussed adjusting/improving the water flow as well as what to do with the generator. A work day was scheduled to complete the critter fence which is the last outstanding task.

Adopt a Seedling- Kristen to write a check to the AgComm for the total sales from Food4All, and get it to Lorrie so she can deposit into the commission's account.

Perennial herb garden at Coast Guard Hill – Lorrie will donate some herbs from her garden. Norma will start some vegetable seeds for donations for the Marshfield Food Pantry and some sunflowers.

Next meeting scheduled for June 16, 7:00PM, so that we can meet one more time before the end of the fiscal year.

Lorrie made a motion to adjourn at 7:31PM. Motion seconded by Norma, voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Webb, Acting Secretary