

Marshfield Agricultural Commission Minutes

Meeting of February 16, 2021

Meeting called to order at 7PM via ZOOM. Attending were Lorrie Dahlen, Karen Vieira, Annie Massed, Kristen Webb, Carolyn Housman and Norma Haskins. We had one guest Nancy Bowers.

Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Karen to open the meeting. It was voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote. Lorrie read the Rules for Remote Participation.

Secretary's Report- After review Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Carolyn, to accept the minutes as amended. It was voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote.

Community Garden- Lorrie reviewed the updated application. We discussed the fees for each of the plots both at the Mounce Garden and Coast Guard Hill Gardens. Lorrie explained the fees at Coast Guard Hill were to cover the cost of regular mowing of the site. Several other Coast Guard Hill Conditions of Participation were amended or added. Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Carolyn to accept the updated edition and post to the website one week after the neighbors have had an opportunity to review and comment. It was voted and passed, unanimously, via a roll call vote.

Annie found a vendor for the deer fencing after much research. Premier 1 Supplies submitted a price sheet totaling \$979.10. T-Posts will be purchased locally. Annie has a local person to help with installation. Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Annie, to approve the purchase through Premier 1 Supplies and it was voted and approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Lorrie reports the Conservation Commission has approved the Mounce Meadow Project Plan and we may proceed with the Mounce Meadow project. Karen reported that the shrubs for the planting of the privacy barrier will have to be chosen soon and must be deer resistant shrubs.

Coast Guard Hill Gardens- Lorrie reports we need to plan a day to work at the site to remove all the existing debris and clean up the area. Nancy Bowers has offered to see if she can find some volunteers to help. We hope to get the DPW to assist with removing the debris from the site.

Adopt a Seedling- Lorrie reviewed all the seed starters for both the April and May events. The third Saturday in April is for cold starts and the 17th of May for everything. Leftovers can be offered in the weeks following at the market.

Map- The map is completed and has been added to our website.

Lorrie reports the application from Caleen Alexanderson was received by the Board of Selectmen. They have asked us for our input. Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Karen to approve her addition to our Commission. It was voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote.

The next meeting is scheduled for March 16th.

Lorrie made a motion, seconded by Karen to adjourn at 8:30PM. It was voted and passed, unanimously by a roll call vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Norma Haskins, Secretary