

HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
MINUTES

Tuesday, August 19, 2008

Members present: Melissa Bailey, Janet Horne, Donna Kramer, Helen MacArthur and Elisabeth Patt.

Member absent: Robert Blair (associate member).

Guests: Tim Donohue and William Suarez.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairperson Donna Kramer called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Helen MacArthur announced that MacArthurs won first prize in the Tomato Slicing Category in the State Contest. Their Heirloom tomato took seventh prize in their category. The members all congratulated Helen on this achievement.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: Melissa Bailey made a motion, seconded by Elisabeth Patt to accept the minutes of the July 15, 2008 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Holliston Farms Day: Tim Donohue reported that the t-shirts for Farms Day are being printed now. They will be ready within a week. Tim has ordered 100 shirts at a cost of \$12.00 each. Janet Horne made a motion, seconded by Elisabeth Patt to set a price of \$15.00 per shirt. The motion passed unanimously. Melissa Bailey presented the flyer and the members reviewed and made some changes. It was decided to print 600 color copies and 2000 black and white copies for the student backpacks. Tim Donohue will do the printing of the flyers. Elisabeth Patt will take the flyer to the schools for distribution approval. It was decided to place signs at the intersection of Prentice and Highland, in front of Town Hall and at Breezy Hill Farm. These signs will have the verbage - Holliston Farms Day, Sunday, September 14, 2008, 10-4 PM, Sponsored by Holliston Agricultural Commission. There will also be signs placed at Arcadian Farm, Highland Farm, MacArthurs Farm, Outpost and Lil' Folk Farm. The verbage on these signs will be - HERE, Holliston Farms Day, Sunday, September 14, 2008, 10-4 PM, Sponsored by Holliston Agricultural Commission. Helen MacArthur volunteered to make the signs and Elisabeth Patt will get the board and paint. The signs will go up on Tuesday, September 2, 2008. It was also suggested that we put the information relative to Farms Day on the website, on Channel 8, HollistonNetNews, Holliston Reporter and American Towns.

Celebrate Holliston: Janet Horne has sent in the application to reserve a space for the Agricultural Commission.

Website: William Suarez reported on the progress so far on adapting our site.

Miscellaneous: Donna Kramer read the brochure that the Stow Agricultural Commission

has put together. She thought that this was something that we could put together for Holliston. Tim Donohue suggested that we have a meeting with the various farmers relative to their issues and concerns which could be put into the brochure. This could be a winter project for us.

Melissa Bailey made a motion, seconded by Elisabeth Patt to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Horne, Clerk