

HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION  
MINUTES

Thursday, July 17, 2014

Members present: Justin Brown (associate), Janet Horne, PJ Kilkelly (associate), Donna Kramer, Tony Lulek and Paula Mark.

Members absent: Natalie Kent (associate) and Helen MacArthur.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairperson Tony Lulek called the meeting to order at 7:25 PM.

Minutes of the Last Meeting: Paula Mark made a motion, seconded by Justin Brown, to accept the minutes of the June 17, 2014 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Community Garden: PJ Kilkelly reported that the Holliston in Bloom judges will be at the garden on Friday, July 25, 2014. Flower plants have been planted outside of the garden. Some weed whacking needs to be done as well as laying down wood chips. Tom Smith will be cleaning up the parking lot. The Holliston in Bloom Committee has asked if we could have a poster with a listing of who has donated towards the garden. There will be a luncheon on the day of the judging and it was requested that we have before and after pictures on a display board. It was felt that we need to make sure that the Commission gets the credit for the Community Garden and all that has been done by the members of the Commission to bring the garden to what it is today. Paula Mark will contact Bobby Blair to get in article in the Holliston Reporter.

Farms Day: The following farms will be participating in Farms Day this year:

LiløFolk Farm  
Mayorø Plantation  
Newfound Farm  
Doehill Farm  
Kilkelly Farm  
Little Beehive Farm  
MacArthurø Farm  
Bullard Memorial Farm  
Mastrangelo Farm  
Arcadian Farm  
Out Post Farm

We need to get the signs and flyers ready for the beginning of August.

61A Listing: In order to be included on this listing you need to have more than 5 acres not including the land on which your dwelling is located. We need to continue to do research on this project.

Website: Justin Brown reported that he is going to continue to update the site. He would also

like to put some videos on the site.

Miscellaneous: Tony Lulek reported that he has gotten involved with beekeepers in Essex County regarding pesticide and its effect on hives. They are looking to set up divisions for education. Tony has met with Carolyn Dykema relative to putting together a bill banning pesticides. PJ Kilkelly brought up the idea of bottling our own weed killer. We could make up batches and supply them to the people of Holliston. PJ has the material and Tony will order the bottles. We will put the AgCom label on the front of the bottle. Have not yet determined what the charge will be for the product.

The dates for the next two meetings will be **August 12, 2014** and **September 9, 2014**.

Donna Kramer made a motion, seconded by PJ Kilkelly, to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Horne, Clerk