HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES

Tuesday, July 17, 2012

Members present: Stephen Craig (associate member), Janet Horne, Donna Kramer, Tony Lulek, Paula Mark (associate member), William Suarez and Pete Westland (associate member).

Member absent: Helen MacArthur

Guest: Patty Grier

Meeting Called to Order: Vice Chairperson, William Suarez called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting:</u> Stephen Craig made a motion, seconded by Pete Westland, to accept the minutes of the June 19, 2012 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Culinary Event:</u> Bill Suarez stated that he still has to get the tickets printed. The cost for the event will be \$20.00 in advance, \$25.00 at the door and children age 2 to 13 will be \$10.00. The information on the event will be going on the website. Areas that the tickets will be sold will be the farm stands, Fiskes, Superette, Coffee Haven and Town Hall. Paula Mark will handle the direct ticket sales. We are only going to have 200 tickets available for the event. Pete will get the tickets to the stores and Paula will get the tickets to the farm stands. Stephen Craig said that he will go to BJ's to get the paper products. Patty Grier will supply Steve with a list of what we will need. Patty Grier asked what vendors will be taking part in the Farmers Market. We know that Little Beehive Farm and the Agricultural Commission will have a table. We will be asking the Farm Stands if they wish to participate. Other individuals that were mentioned were Bobby Blair, Hopestill Farm and Laughton. For the culinary event itself, it was decided to keep the tomato bar simple. We will need bread for the sliders. Also it was thought that we would need pita bread and a crusty italian type bread. We will also be contacting Bobby relative to donating flowers for the tables. Due to the fact that we have access to both kitchens at the Historical Society on both Saturday and Sunday, Patty Grier will be putting together a cooking schedule for the group. It was decided that the only beverages that we will have will be iced tea and water. Tony Lulek will put together the recipe cards. We also will need grills.

<u>Community Garden:</u> Bill Suarez reported that one gardener has dropped out but another one of our current gardeners has taken over the plot. There has been positive feedback from all of our gardeners. Steve Craig will be rototilling the garden.

<u>Farms Day:</u> Janet Horne reported that Acadian Farm, Bullard Memorial Farm and Outpost Farm have responded that they will be participating in Farms Day.

<u>Celebrate Holliston:</u> Janet Horne reported that she will be sending in the application for booth space for the Commission.

Website: Bill Suarez reported that we continue to get better participation in the forum.

Stephen Craig made a motion, seconded by Tony Lulek, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Horne, Clerk