## HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION MINUTES

Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Members present: Justin Brown (associate), Janet Horne, Natalie Kent (associate), Tony Lulek and Helen MacArthur.

Member absent: Tyla Doolin (associate)

Interested Parties: Kevin Conley, Jeff Ritter, Charlie Roberts and William Roberts.

Meeting Called to Order: Chairperson, Tony Lulek called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Tony Lulek reported that he has been asked to appear before the Board of Selectmen this evening. He stated that he will be resigning and he read the statement that he will be making at the Board of Selectmenøs meeting. He stated that he is sorry to be leaving. He feels that the Agricultural Commissionøs mission is not being fulfilled. Janet Horne stated that she has submitted her letter of resignation to the Board of Selectmen.

<u>Minutes of the Last Meeting:</u> Helen MacArthur made a motion, seconded by Justin Brown, to approve the minutes of the April 26, 2016 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Butterfly Aviary:</u> The aviary needs to be inspected by the Building Inspector before any plans are made to open it. The Holliston in Bloom Committee do not seem to have any interest in the aviary. It was suggested that the Commission approach PJ Kilkelly relative to moving the aviary to the Rogers Road property. This would be Plan A. Plan B would be to have the aviary remain beside the Community Garden and become a greenhouse for the gardeners.

Community Garden: Justin Brown stated that Natalie Kent should be commended for the excellent job that she has done at the Community Garden. Natalie stated that two more plots have been created at the garden but the size of them are 15x5. She would like to reduce the fee from \$50.00 to \$40.00 for these two plots. Justin Brown made a motion, seconded by Janet Horne, to charge \$40.00 for Plot 31 and \$40.00 for Plot 32 due to the reduction in size. The motion passed unanimously. Natalie stated that James Turner did the mulch at the front of the garden and she will see that he is reimbursed \$32.00 for the mulch.

The next meeting of the Commission will be on June 15, 2016 at 7:00 PM.

Helen MacArthur made a motion, seconded by Janet Horne, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Janet Horne, Clerk