

HOLLISTON AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
MINUTES

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

Members Present: PJ Kilkelly (Chair)
Justin Brown (Vice Chair)
Charlie Roberts (Clerk)
Jocelyn Tremblay
Natalie Kent (Associate)

Members Absent: Helen MacArthur (Treasurer)
Tyla Doolin (Associate)

Interested Parties: None

Meeting Called to Order: Chair, PJ Kilkelly called the meeting to order at 7:14pm.

Minutes of the last Meeting:

Motion: Justin Brown made a motion to accept the minutes from the August 31, 2016 meeting.

Second: PJ Kilkelly seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Vote: Passed unanimously.

Public Comment: None

Butterfly Aviary: PJ Kilkelly gave an update on the Butterfly Aviary. PJ stated that he had closed it for the season. Expenses for the year are attached. \$1310 in account for next year. Justin asked if the expenses could be broken down more.

Community Gardens: Natalie Kent gave an update on the community gardens. A gust of wind tore the new AgCom tent. Natalie said there were some options to sew or tape it. PJ stated it was a small tear and it should be easily fixed. Natalie said she would reach out to the person who had offered to sew it. \$24 in donations.

Natalie stated that two plots had opened for two people on the wait list. Natalie stated she had 4 emails saying vegetables had been picked. PJ suggested that we should put a sign up.

Strategic Plan: Table this until the November/December meetings.

AgCom Board Liaisons: PJ and Justin will wait until after town meeting. Charlie asked on the status of the community farm and asked how we could help.

Communications: Justin Brown said he will update the website with info on the aviary closing.

Farm Liaisons: PJ stated we should follow up on this later in the fall.

Celebrate Holliston: PJ stated that it was a success and that he had talked to plenty of people and many did not know about the AgCom or the butterfly aviary. PJ sold 10 packs of the butterfly cards at \$10 each.

Farms Day: Charlie Roberts gave an update on Farms Day. He went over the results of survey that was sent out and replies he had back for participating farms. Everyone else shared their experiences with Farm Day and overall felt that it had been a success even with the storm in the morning.

Membership: Jocelyn Tremblay is now officially a member. Charlie stated he would still like a list of everyone contact details.

New Business:

Ballot #3: Charlie presented pro and cons. He will put out paragraph for fb page, will send out for approval before posting.

Treasurers Reports: Helen emailed and stated there is \$4514.70 in the account.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Wednesday November 2th, 2016.

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion: PJ Kilkelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50pm.

Second: Justin Brown seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Roberts, Clerk