

Colchester Agriculture Commission
Monday October 19, 2015 – 7:00 PM
Town Hall Meeting Room 3

MEETING MINUTES – D. Rosenblatt

PRESENT COMMISSION MEMBERS: C. Bourque, D. Rosenblatt

ABSENT COMMISSION MEMBERS: O. Duksa, D. Wisniewski

PRESENT ALTERNATES: L. Curtis, C. Csere

Meeting began at 7:02

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO AGENDA: None

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE AGRICULTURE COMMISSION ON September 21, 2015

Moved: C. Csere

Seconded: L. Curtis

Approved unanimously

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: No citizens present

CHAIR REPORT: C. Bourque

The CT Dept of Agriculture has a new link to USDA Poultry Registration Program:

Secondary to Avian Flu issues, the USDA has asked that all poultry owners, commercial and "own use" families, register their poultry. The USDA will test the registered poultry on site for Avian Flu.

- Proposed: that L. Curtis will work with the Town of Colchester to provide a link to this program on the Town Website.
- To be added to next month's agenda: revisit the points originally listed by the Ag Commission in 2008, at its inception, to see if all the topics listed have been covered.

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AG GRANTS:

Signage program through the CT Department of Agriculture grants have been moved to November 16, 2015. C. Bourque is working to get the grant completed.

COMMUNICATION BETWEEN TOWN PLANNING DEPARTMENT AND AGRICULTURE COMMISSION:

- To be added to next months agenda: Brainstorm/discuss addressing communication between Town Planning and Zoning and Taxes to alert new farmers to the availability of the experience of the Agriculture Commission to assist them through any issues/problems they may have.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING:

Moved: D. Rosenblatt

Seconded: C. Csere

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting adjourned 7:36 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by D. Rosenblatt, acting as Secretary for the Agriculture Commission