

TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Minutes

March 24, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order in the Town Hall Meeting Room, 11 Rye Street, Broad Brook, CT at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Albert Grant

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

A quorum was established, members present; Albert Grant, Janice Warren, Jim Stremper, Kirk Montstream, Pete Larese and Bill Syme

Also present; Jason Bowsza, Mrs. Pippin, Robin Chesky, Chris Dahl

III. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

Water for the East Windsor Dog Park and the East Windsor Community Garden

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February minutes were reviewed and approved. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Pete and seconded by Bill. Motioned passed

V. NEW BUSINESS

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- FARMERS COFFEE EVENT - April 2nd at the Melrose Historic District School. Adds where posted in the local papers and invitations were sent out to local farmers on the towns 490 list. Should be a good turnout.
- COMMUNITY GARDEN- General discussion on this year's plans for the garden. Harrington Stables has set up a horse drawn plowing event on April 9th. Bill plans to rototill the garden after the plowing event. The commission may plant wild flowers on the remaining garden, that which isn't rented out to local gardeners.
- FARMERS MARKET- Opening day will be June 26 through the 1st Sunday in October. The market continues to be doing very well, Wic and food stamps will gain be accepted this season. Jan and Al to set up an appointment with the First Selectman, to dicuss the insurance of the market.

VII. MISCELLANEOUS

Discussion took place on getting fresh water supplied to the East Windsor Dog Park and for the East Windsor Community Garden. One option would be to install a well and the second option would be to connect to the existing well at the East Windsor Park across the street. Kirk offered to get in contact with Lenny Norton, the East Windsor Town Engineer and Director of Public Works to dicuss possible options for the plan. Dog Park members Robin Chesky and Chris Dahl where present. They have started looking into both options and stated that the dog park has funds that may be used for this project. Both the dog

park and garden would benefit greatly from this project, improving the publics safety and health standards for both properties.

VIII. REPORTS OF STAFF

IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

X. ADJOURNMENT

Pete made a motion to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Bill
Meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kirk Montstream, Secretary, East Windsor Agriculture Commission