TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Minutes

January 25, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

The Meeting began at East Windsor Housing Authority 1A Park Hill, Broad Brook, CT at 7:30 p.m.

ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM:

A quorum was established, members present; Albert Grant, Kirk Montstream, Jim Strempfer and Nicholas Laskos

AGENDA ADDITIONS:

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes that were reviewed and approved for December 28th, 2017 Motioned by Jim, Al seconded. Passed unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Farmers Coffee Event Date March 31st at the Melrose Historic District School. Amanda at Town Hall help us put together a flyer to help spread the word. We look forward to another good turnout.
- 2. Grant for Compost for the Community Garden Al has been working with Melissa from Parks And Recreation putting together this application. Thank you both for your time and effort with this. We hope to hear soon if we will be receiving this grant.

OLD BUSINESS:

- -Tax abatement for agricultural buildings This commission hopes to see this moved forward to the Board of Selectmen. This commission will contact Ellington again to get some more information on this process.
- -Plowing Event Date to be determined, either April 28th or April 21st
- -Community Garden- Discussion of to hire or find a volunteer person or group to help with maintenance of the garden. Possible grant money available for adding manure to the garden in the spring. Plans to be made for putting together work parties throughout the season. Working on finding some incubator farmers to occupy some of the garden. Now that we own the water tank, we are going to cheng the labels on the water tank. We had 8 garden plots rented last year, we are hoping to get the word out to add more gardener's this season
- -Water for the Community Garden- To date, we are now looking for \$3500 more dollars to hold up our end of an arrangement to hook up to the well across the street.

MISCELLANEOUS:

REPORTS OF THE STAFF:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn by Jim, seconded by Nick. Passed unanimously Respectfully submitted,

Kirk Montstream, Secretary, East Windsor Agriculture Commission