

Minutes of the February 24, 2011 Meeting
Of the Harvard Agricultural Advisory Commission

Members Present: Wendell Willard, Chairman, Frank Carlson, Candy Frazer, Pam Browning, and Bill Barrett

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m.

The minutes from the prior meeting were reviewed and on motion duly made and seconded, were unanimously approved.

1. **“Right to Farm Community” Signs.** Mr. Willard led a discussion regarding the size (24” x 24”), location and verbiage of “Right to Farm Community” signs to be placed at selected entry points to the town. The Commission suggested that the signs simply state: “Entering Harvard, a Right to Farm Community” with a trailer in smaller type: “Harvard Agricultural Commission”. Ms. Fraser suggested that the sign maker who did the right to farm signs for Bolton might be a good choice for our signs. Mr. Willard offered to follow up with Al Combs on permissible locations for the signs when Mr. Combs is in back in town.

2. **Agricultural Commission Website.** The Commission next continued its discussions regarding the establishment of an Ag Commission website. The group believes that there should be both original content such as pictures, bylaws, and the like as well as links to other useful farming websites. Members of the town’s agricultural community will be encouraged to provide content for posting to the site. Ag Commission member Tim Arnold has indicated that he will undertake the initial construction of the website.

3. **Farming Brochures.** The Commission continued its discussions regarding the creation of Farming Brochures for the town. Suggested content would include a listing of farms, one or more maps, information about the Farmers’ Market, and a listing of the town offices. The Commission will review other towns’ brochures at the next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Barrett