

**Agricultural Commission Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**August 21, 2018 7:00 PM**  
**Rutland Historical Commission's Wood Studio**

Present: Debbie Carlson, Glenn Kauppila, Richard Williams, and Jerry Kristoff  
Guest: Kate Gervais

Meeting called to order at 7:07

Minutes of July unanimously upon correction of date of expiration of hay field contract to June, 2019 (5 years from date awarded).

**Glenwood Field Space Update**

Debbie re-capped recent Selectboard meetings and referred to Richard Williams.  
Richard and K. Leslie (forester) walked the property behind Glenwood Elementary School  
Potential there is for only 1 field.  
Other sites visited were Wheeler Rd and Central Tree areas - both have potential  
Approximately 12 acres are needed for the field space requested  
Rutland Heights zoning proposals of 1997 are being changed to accommodate possible solar farm and senior housing.  
Richard suggests a long term plan that involves a school and has made this suggestion to Selectboard.

**Membership/appointment updates - Letters of Interest**

Kate Gervais - alternate - will submit letter of interest  
Dale Perkins - possible interest as alternate. Jerry will follow up.  
Jesse Klayman - to fill open member position - will need to submit letter of interest.  
Info is posted on Town Website. Can we also post on Friends of Agriculture FaceBook page?

**Selectboard Liaisons**

Leah Whiteman is liaison for Agricultural Commission  
Wayne Walker is liaison for Earthworks Board

**Town owned Agricultural fields - update Request for Bids**

Future agenda item.  
Per motion: Debbie will present information thus far to Town Clerk for review and comments prior to any submissions to Selectboard

**Future Events and collaboration with Holden Agcom**

Festival of Forgotten Arts on September 29  
Jerry will organize a tractor show  
Pia - organize tee shirts, sweatshirts, etc for sale  
Right to Farm signs - Kate believes we have 12 or so remaining signs we can sell.  
(Keep 1 sign for the Naquag Greenhouse if they do not already have 1)

Invite Holden Agcom to participate with us?

Farm Day

Agenda item for next meeting.

Discussion of possibilities of Pot Luck dinners and Meet Your Local Farmer night.

Other

Richard Williams inquired if our funds from FY2018 had been spent.

Yes posters for Naquag grade 2 and Planting for Pollinators presentation.

Next meeting September 18, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 8:15