Agricultural Commission MINUTES 11-10-2009

Attendees: Sighle Philbin, Frank Perla, Erin Palumbo, Peg Rotti, Lynn Fallavollita

The meeting convened at 7:35pm.

The minutes from 10/06/2009 were reviewed and accepted.

Pat provided a copy of a letter to the AgCom members from the OSIC regarding the APR application, Lee and Prospect Streets. Members reviewed the letter.

Ms. Lekstrom's recommended changes to the model Right-to-Farm By-law (RTF) were reviewed and discussed. The committee agreed on several changes and additions. Unanimous vote was received to accept the modified model RTF as the draft for West Boylston. Lynn was nominated to type the first draft and email copies to the members.

Sighle proposed a press release in the Banner to notify the town of the presence of the AgCom, publish the mission statement, and provide information on the upcoming RTF. Discussion ensued regarding what should be put in the first press release. A decision was made to first contact the Banner regarding space and possible cost for any information published.

Sighle will contact Ms. Lekstrom about whether it is necessary to post a RTF disclosure notice at the town hall or other public location.

The AgCom website was also discussed. Erin will work on collecting additional information about the AgCom to add to the website, including a list of committee members, associated farms, and mission statement. Erin will contact the town website administrator regarding adding these items.

Next meeting: Jan 11th, 2010. 7:30pm

Meeting adjourned: 8:27pm