

WOLFEBORO AGRICULTURE COMMISSION  
MINUTES FOR 7 January 2010

Members Present: Charlie Horsken, Chair; Blair Moody, Vice-Chair; Mark Lush  
secretary, Wendy Rodgers, Carolyn Frederickson, Dennis DeVylde  
Alternates Present: , Mike Hodder, Alan Fredrickson, Karen DeVylde,  
Members Absent: Lawreen Strauch  
Alternates Absent: Gail Antonucci, David Strauch  
BOS Liaison: Sarah Silk, present

I. Call To Order:

Chair Charlie Horsken opened the meeting at 7:00

II. Public Input:

Mr. Don Perkins told the Commission of his ideas for an ag related business on his farm and asked for feedback from the Commission. Most members were supportive and wished him well. Suggestions and concerns for such an undertaking were also provided to Mr. Perkins.

Sarah made a motion to allow alternates to join the discussions. Blair seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes for 4 December 2009

Wendy motioned to accept the minutes as written. Carolyn seconded the motion and the group unanimously approved.

IV. Status of zoning changes recommended by the AgCom

Several members had concerns about the wording on the description of the proposed warrant as written the following changes were suggested.

As presented to the AgCom

Paragraph 4 amend the zoning ordinance to remove “keeping or harboring of domestic animals not generally considered household pets” as a special exception use in the General Residential Districts (GR 1, GR 2 and GR 3) as special exception and

AgCom recommendation

Paragraph 4 amend the zoning ordinance to remove “keeping or harboring of domestic animals not generally considered household pets” as a special exception use in the General Residential Districts GR 1, GR 2 and GR 3 as permitted in accordance with NH Department of Agriculture Best Management Practices

As presented to the AgCom

paragraph 5 amend the zoning ordinance to remove commercial breeding of animals as a permitted use in the Agricultural District, and

AgCom recommendation

Help, I messed this one up. What did we say?

As presented to the AgCom

paragraph 8 amend the definition of Horticultural Establishments to be “an establishment for the sale of flowers, fruits, vegetables, and nursery stock”?

AgCom recommendation

paragraph 8 amend the definition of Horticultural Establishments to be “an establishment for the sale and production of flowers, fruits, vegetables, and nursery stock”?

Charlie stated he would be in contact with Mr. Houseman concerning this matter.

#### VI. Old Business:

In regards to the farm inventory of Wolfeboro Charlie has received several responses from the questionnaire in electric bills. Sarah has also received some responses. Sarah suggested utilizing Wolfeboro TV to help spread the word.

#### VII. Other Business:

Carolyn offered the DVD *Food Inc.* to any member who wanted to view the DVD. Mark has it and will pass it along. We are grateful to Ms. Nancy Hirschberg for making this DVD available to us.

#### VIII. Adjournment

Alan motioned to adjourn with a second from Mike and a unanimous vote at 8:30PM. ended another fine meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Lush