

Town of Medway
Agricultural Committee
Zoom
Medway, MA 02053
Minutes of Meeting
March 17, 2021

Present: Chairman Paul Atwood, Secretary Margaret Perkins, Board Member Alison Dempsey, Board Member Seth Terramane Board Member Tiffany Henault.

Chairman Atwood called the meeting in order at 7:33PM via Zoom meeting.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

A motion to accept the agenda for the meeting for March 2021 agenda made by Board Chairman Atwood and seconded by Secretary Perkins.

Motion to accept the February 2021 meeting minutes was motioned by Chairman Atwood and seconded by Member Dempsey, all unanimous.

Citizens comment: N/A

Old Business

- A. As of date there are approx 30 vendors signed up for the Farmer Market and the idea of doing rain or shine and use pavilion to help eliminate as much cancellation. Still ongoing struggles and restrictions with a Meat and Seafood vendor.
- B. Possible Art contest again in the Fall to allow indoor viewing possible location for submissions and viewing maybe pictures can be posted in Library.
- C. Chairman Atwood reached out to one musical group and will need to come up with additional fundraising to help cover the difference for the cost and the allotted amount of the grant given to the committee. Some ideas have been discussed including silent auction, raffles at farmer's markets. Suggestion to get a food truck since its ideal time of 12noon- 4pm.

New Business:

- A. This weekend Chairman Atwood will be attending workshops series Massachusetts land trust coalition teaching how to help promote open space and preservation involving Agricultural ways to help preserve and restrictions and zoning and alternative ways of Agricultural tourism ie: Weddings, Corn mazes etc.
- B. Chairman Atwood attended open space meeting along with Chapter 61. Was asked at meeting to get a inventory of number of farms in town ie: food, dairy within Chapter 61 and none Chapter 61.
- C. There's some land near the Community Farm that have caught a lot of attention.
- D. Reminder Ethic Training needs to be done.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2021 at 7:30pm location TBD due to Covid-19 Pandemic. Please review the March Agenda for location closer to the scheduled date.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Secertary Perkins and seconded by Board Member Dempsey and approved unanimously.

The board adjourned at 827 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Bemis, Meeting Recording Secretary