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Town Clerk

Plainfield Agriculture Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes

Wednesday October 26, 2022

7:00 pm

Location: Plainfield Town Hall

Time: Chairperson Jennie Kapszukiewicz called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

Members Present: Vernon Gray, Jr., Jennie Kapszukiewicz, Mike Desjardins
Absent: Jo-Ann Desrochers, Sherry Harmon

Alternates Present: – Chris Barber, Lu-Ann Cunningham
Jennie Kapszukiewicz appointed Chris Barber and Lu-Ann Cunningham to be voting members.
Absent: Jenn Sangermano

Public Present: None

Approval of Minutes: Mike Desjardins moved to accept the September 28, 2022 minutes with the addition of the table fee of $30, Chris Barber seconded. One abstention, majority in favor, motion carries.

Old Business:

a. **Small Group Updates**

1. **Community Outreach** – Vern will confirm with Ranger Bill Reid on attending the winter Market.

2. **Scholarship and Fundraising** – Mike Desjardin moved to request a $500 check for the scholarship recipient Shelby Bellows, Chris seconded All in favor, motion carries. Mason Fundraiser - 80 tickets would be the most they would want us to sell – March 12, 2023 at the Mason's Hall from 8-11. We will get half of every ticket sold as a fundraiser.

3. **Winter Market** – Send PDF file sent to Town of Plainfield for posting on website and Facebook (consider sending PDF November 5th from 10-3 pm at Plainfield High School Annual Fall Festival).

4. **Right to Farm** – No update.

5. **Farmers Market** – Town voted to approve both questions at the referendum (1) spend up to $500K and (2) apply funds to apply for larger grant projects.

6. **Plainfield Farming History Project** – No update

b. **Community Events** (events attended, upcoming events, agricultural highlights)
Saturday October 29, 2022 Trunk or treat 2-4 (young kids) 4-6 for older, Christmas Tree Friday December 2, 2022 -5:30 PM in Lions Park, with Hayrides by Mike, Lions club is hot dogs, hot cocoa, two fire pits. Walktober – Gray Ledge Tree Farm - had to cancel one, but did have the leaf hunt. Open house for Killingly Agriculture Education Program on November 2, 2022 @ 6PM – encourage 7th and 8th.

New Business: No new business

Public Comment: No Public Comment

Next Meeting: Regular meeting on Wednesday December 28, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Adjournment: Mike Desjardin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 PM, Chris Barber seconded. All in favor, motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted:
Jennie Kapszukiewicz, Chair