

**Corrected Agenda Minutes
Agriculture Commission Meeting
Monday, February 2, 2009
Town Manager's Conference Room
909 Foxon Road
7:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

Call to Order: Chairperson Clifford Potter called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Members Present: Gerald Adinolfi, Joseph DeFrancesco,
Nelson Ceccarelli, Michael Doody

Alternate Members: Dudley Harrison, Harry Juniver

2. Approval of Previous Months Minutes

Member DeFrancesco moved, seconded by Alternate Member Juniver to approve the minutes of January, 2009. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Unfinished Business

The Augur Barn has been taken off the Agenda at present time. The Agency is waiting to reapply for upcoming Grants.

4. New Business

- a. Election of New Officers**
- b. Farmers Brochure**
- c. Discuss feature farms in local papers. Now in progress**
- d. Potato Fest ongoing information**
- e. Filming of agriculture activities**
- f. Members Items to be discussed**
- h. Visitor's Comments**

The following Officers were elected for the 2009 year:

Chairperson – Clifford Potter
Vice Chairperson – Nelson Cecarelli
Secretary – Joseph DeFrancesco

Alternate Member Dudley Harrison moved for a Motion to Accept the Slate of Newly Elected Officers. Member DeFrancesco seconded. The motion was carried unanimously.

A grant application was submitted to have half of the cost of the farmers brochure paid for. They have requested more forms and the Agency sees that a positive step for the applying of the Grant. They are currently reviewing the application. Vincent Candelora, Town Representative, did a letter in favor of the Grant. The Connecticut Grown Logo will need to be used.

Benjamin Raynor will be visiting Harry Juniver's farm in the very near future.

As far as filming, it will be suggested that a paper version come up at the same time a film version is released.

Members Potter and Harrison attended the last Potato Festival meeting. The Agency will be supplying corn and a tent -- there will be no involvement with potatoes. The tractor pull will take place possibly Saturday or Sunday. Deborah Ferraro is interested in a petting zoo on the off day of the tractor pull. Member DeFrancesco agreed to attend the next Potato Festival meeting.

Member Adinolfi is concerned about snowmobiles and ATV's on the Augur Farm property. There is concern that the hay crop will be affected. The Agency is going to suggest to the Town Council possible barriers and the closing of the bridge.

5. Executive Session

No discussion at this time concerning this matter.

6. Adjournment:

Member DeFrancesco moved, seconded by Member Doody to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 p.m.. The motion was carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Debra Ann Criscuolo

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