

**Corrected Agenda Minutes  
Agriculture Commission Meeting  
Monday, July 6, 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 7:00 p.m.

**Members:** Joe DeFrancesco, Gerald Adinolfi, Michael Doody, Town Manager Richard Branigan (*joined meeting at 7:45*)

**Alternate Members:** Dudley Harrison, Harry Juniver

**Visitor:** Kevin Augur

**2. Approval of Previous Months Minutes**

Alternate Member Doody moved, seconded by Alternate Member Harrison to approve the minutes of June, 2009. The motion was carried unanimously.

**3. Unfinished Business**

None at this time

**4. New Business**

- a. Family historical photos, for scrapbook at potato fest**
- b. Farmer's Brochure progress report and feedback info**
- c. Discuss feature farms in local papers. Changes coming**
- d. Potato Fest ongoing information. Updates on produce needed**
- e. Filming of agriculture activities. Who has tapes?**
- f. Possible Augur Farm naming rights**
- g. Potato Fest tractor pull needs, info and updates**
- h. Members Items to be discussed**
- i. Visitor's Comments**

Time is an issue concerning historical photos for a scrapbook at the Potato Festival. This item will be tabled. Member Harrison will use the display that he used last year.

Brochures just went out. There has been no difference in business, as of yet. The brochure is a reminder to let people know the businesses are there, as well as being educational.

Ben Rayner from the Sound Newspaper has been “held over”. He is pursuing a career change. He did the Page Farm article, with no photographs. Pamela Johnson will be taking over and Larry Augur’s farm is next.

The Agriculture Commission is supporting the tractor pull. The Sunday start time is moved up one hour to accommodate the road race. The Agency agrees there will be possibly 50 trucks and trailers. They will park up on the hill and come down the dirt road. Member Adinolfi will call Fran about the parking situation. Hayrides will begin at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday.

There will be four corn providers – each providing 625 ears of corn. Member DeFrancesco volunteered to provide the 700 ears for Friday and Kevin Augur agreed to be a back up. Amato’s Restaurant is providing the potatoes.

Braggin Rights needs approximately 40 trophies. Member Doody will take care of this, along with classes for the trophies. Wal-Mart will provide plastic bags for the produce.

The tent will be set up on Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Kevin Augur will provide relevant bins. There will also be 10 tables and 50 chairs (approximately) borrowed from Co. 2 if allowed.

The Agency agrees that the farm will officially be called “Augur Farms Park”. It will be put in front of the next Town Council meeting. Member DeFrancesco moved for a Motion to name Augur Farms Park. Member Dudley seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Filming will be a winter item. The town’s cable television broadcast will be updated and fixed soon concerning local access. Members Harrison, DeFrancesco and Adinolfi may have tapes.

Member Nelson Ceccarelli will be resigning. This matter will be put on next month’s meeting for new officers to be installed. Member DeFrancesco also addressed a letter sent out to farmers regarding the Swine Flu. Member DeFrancesco suggested a phone call prior to any future mailings going out.

**5. Executive session (nothing scheduled)**

**6. Adjournment:**

Alternative Member Doody moved, seconded by Alternate Member Juniver to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m... The motion was carried unanimously.

Submitted by:

Debra Ann Criscuolo

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