

Ipswich Agricultural Commission

Minutes of the Meeting of March 6, 2019

Town Hall, Room B-2, 7:00 pm

Members attending: Jay Stanbury, Royce Knowlton, Eric Galicki

Members not present: Norm Swanson

Non-members present: Tom Coletti, Shendel Bakal, Amy Borgman, Mike Marini, Susan Knowlton

Citizen's Queries: None

Minutes: Minutes for the February meeting were approved.

Discussion:

1. Amy Borgman talked about a dinner that Generation Growers is planning for sometime in May. She summarized the expected costs, funding sources, and other items concerning this event. In response to her request, the Commission voted to approve an amount of up to \$1,700 from the Commission's budget for this purpose. Amy was advised to consult with Beth O'Connor to finalize the funding process.
2. The Commission discussed a "pop-up" farmers market that Kerrie Bates has proposed for sometime during the summer of 2019. We understand that the market is tentatively scheduled for June. The question was raised about the date and the availability of fresh produce. It was noted that Ms. Bates was not present for this meeting.
3. The Commission discussed the possibility of re-establishing a Farmer's Market sometime in the future. Jay Stanbury noted that he has contacted Laura Barley of Mass Farmers Markets, who has agreed to meet with the Commission at a future meeting to explore ways to accomplish this objective.
4. It was noted that the EOEA has not yet issued a determination regarding the proposed well on Linebrook Road. This is expected to be issued on March 8.
5. Mike Marini updated the Commission about the Conservation Commission hearing and progress regarding field access on the Kozineski property.

Other business: There was no other business.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted: Jay Stanbury, Chair, Town of Ipswich Agricultural Commission