

MINUTES AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION WORK SESSION July 26th, 2023

OPENING: 7:03 p.m. Chairman Hansen opened the hybrid work session by announcing the members in attendance, the date and time of the meeting.

ATTENDANCE

Burt Hansen, Chairman Present
Dan Cook, Commissioner Absent
Zach Barnett, Alternate Present
Ron Cecchini, Commissioner Absent
Lenita Bober, Commissioner Absent

Tammy Ciak-Bissaillon, Commissioner Present- Zoom

Maryssa Cook-Obregon, Commissioner Present

Sage Fury, Alternate Present- Zoom

Guest

Raquel Obregon Jessica Parker Angie Giguere Inga Hotaling Dwight Arnold Angie Simone

DISCUSSION – OPEN FARM DAY

Guest Angie Simone volunteered this past week going around to local businesses with Open Farm Day Brochures. Summer House, Mobile, The laundromat, IBS, Stove parts and masonry, Gristmill Café, Southwick VCA, Westfield Bank, and Southwick Farm Insurance.

Inga Hotaling with two check's from sponsors. Farm insurance, College Highway Insurance. Sponsors thus far:

Westfield Bank- \$200.00 Southwick Animal Hospital \$200.00 Brass Rail- \$200.00 Farm Insurance \$50.00 College Highway Insurance 50.00 AG COM 7/26/2023



B & E Tool \$200.00 Total \$1,325.00

Following up with the cost of advertisement's Southwoods add, Go Local, 25 lawn signs The Penny Saver, The Westfield News equals \$1,228.75 Inga has kindly offered to pay for the 25 lawn signs at \$168.00

Gifts

Tractor Supply - \$50.00
Country Colonial \$50.00
Cowards Farms
9X12 Watercolor from Carol Avery
\$50.00 – 57 Hair
Wireless charging pad,
Amazon Gift Card,
a 17- Piece Mary Kay Gift set
30 Piece wrapping paper gift box -Virginia Powell
BigY Gift cards
Massage Gift Cards
Calabrese Farm Gift card

Walk through of each farm will be done by Commission Members. Information such as how many volunteers, Specific farm Safety needed to be relayed and table location with a backup location- weather permitting will be discussed at the walk through.

Commissioner Cook-Obregon, to take Photos of Open Farm Day.

Updates for Open Farm Day will be provided on Facebook.

Open Farm Day is Rain or Shine NO Rain Date

Alternate Barnett made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:26 PM. Commissioner Furry seconded the motion. The roll call was unanimous in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Barton

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Cynthia Barton, Secretary

cc: Select Board Town Clerk	
Burt Hansen, Chairman	Maryssa Cook-Obregon, Commissioner
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