

Minutes: Hampton Agriculture Commission 11/19/2011

Community Room, Hampton Town Hall

Meeting called to order by Deb Spinoza at 7:06 pm, present were; Deb, Bernie Block, Renee Cuprak, Larry Campion: members, Judy Wilson, Morris Burr: alternates and Kate Donnelly; selectman. Tim Huchthausen was not present so Judy was seated in his stead.

Renee moved that last meetings minutes were accepted, It was seconded and passed unanimously.

Old business

Deb stated that the Hampton Grown brochures were in place throughout the town.

P&Z Regs were discussed and concerns over wording in several places was voiced and attendance at next P&Z meeting ,Nov. 28, was encouraged.

New business

Granting and funding brochures were pass out and discussion followed as to best way to make these services known to the people of Hampton who would benefit.

It was suggested that a database of interested farmers be established to facilitate easy communication for the Commission and towns people. Judy moved that a server list be established with all names and emails of as many farmers in town. Deb seconded and the motion passed 4-1. Names would be taken from Agvocate survey passed out last year and ways were discussed to try to get more names. Ideas will be brought up at next meeting.

“Meet the farmer” day for Hampton was discussed for spring/summer, more planning and discussion was thought to be needed

Members; Mike Moran was appointed as the last alternate.

Schedule of meeting for 2012 was set as the 3rd Wednesday of the month, every month except December and the second week of November in the community room , town hall.

Bernie Block made a presentation on Bats , their value, facts and misconceptions, and the problems with white nose disease. Renee showed a bat house for attracting bats.

Agenda for next meeting, Ray Covino of NRCS will present their “products” for farmers.

Next meeting Jan. 18, 2012

Meeting adjourned at 8:15

submitted 11/21/11 Larry Campion sec.