


Town of Northfield Public Meeting – Minutes


approved 9/12/23

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Name of the board, committee, or commission: Northfield Agricultural Commission

Location of meeting (physical address): Northfield Town Hall 69 Main Street, Northfield MA 01360

Date and time the meeting convened: 7/11/23 at 7pm

Members present: 1) Jose Madiedo (JM) - Chair; 2) Kristy Norwood (KN) – Vice Chair; 3) Don Baker (DB) – Treasurer; 4) Jesse Robertson-Dubois (JRD) and 5) Bill Llewelyn (BL) via phone.

Members absent: None

Others in attendance: 1) Stacy Bond (SB); Ag Com Secretary

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- 1) Call to Order (7:05pm) and determine quorum
 - a. Committee has quorum.
 - b. Note: We ask committee members to please give reasonable notice if they can not attend a meeting so that meeting can be canceled if no quorum. Also to not miss more than three consecutive meetings.
 - 2) Citizen Input/Guests
 - a. None
 - 3) Review and approval of minutes from 5/9/23
 - a. Motion to approve by DB, 2nd by JRD. Approved unanimously.
 - 4) Chairs report
 - a. None
 - 5) Agricultural presence in the 350th anniversary parade
 - a. JRD put sheep in parade? Possibly, but no truck currently to transport them.
 - b. BL said to let Tony Amato know that he can use Five Point Farm as a staging area if needed and to call him.
 - 6) Website renewal/update
 - a. JM did not renew hosting plan as was voted on at last meeting, but did keep domain for now.
 - b. On town website it has our mission statement. JRD volunteered to help update our mission statement.
 - 7) Reorganization of the committee
 - a. Still need more members plus someone from the Open Space Committee. JRD volunteered to see about joining Open Space, and then could be liaison.
 - b. For new members besides Open Space, still need one active farmer, plus three alternates (active or past farmer). JRD is to reach out to Debbie Frascette, SB is to reach out to Kim Barry and Shannon Goddard, BL is to reach out to Jim Rice, and DB is to reach out to Stephanie Podlesney.

- c. KN mentioned to update the Agricultural Map, she will try to connect with Jerry Waegner.
- 8) Topics not reasonably anticipated by the chair 48 hours in advance
 - a. none
- 9) Schedule next meeting
 - a. Tuesday, September 12th 2023 at 7pm at Town Hall
- 10) Adjourn
 - a. Motion made by DB to adjourn at 8:01pm, 2nd by JRD. Approved unanimously.