



Killingly Agriculture Commission
WEDNESDAY–January 13, 2021

Regular Meeting

7:00 pm

MINUTES

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- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** The meeting was called to order at 7:03pm. Attending: Byron Martin, Frank Anastasio, Amelia Kellner, Kristie Wallis, Patti Larrow-George, Marina Capraro (staff). Absent without notice: Virginia Champagne
- II. **Agenda Addendum:** None
- III. **Citizens Participation- Pursuant to Governor's Executive Order 7B, all public comment can be emailed to publiccomment@killinglyct.gov or mailed to Town of Killingly, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239 on or before the meeting. All public comment received prior to the meeting will be posted on the Town's website www.killinglyct.gov:** None
- IV. **Adoption of Minutes – review / discussion / action**
 - A) **Regular Meeting – November 12, 2020:** It is noted that the agenda incorrectly shows the date of the minutes as November 12, 2020 when in fact the commission reviewed the minutes of the December 09, 2020 meeting. A motion was made to adopt the minutes of the December 09, 2020 Regular Meeting; seconded; all in favor; passed.
- V. **Reports / General Business – review / discussion / action**
 - A) **Classes – discussion/action**
 - i. **Virginia's Microgreen Class – 01/09:** Virginia was not present to provide a report of her class.
 - ii. **Amelia's Bone Broth Class – 01/16:** Amelia's class has about 15 registrations as of 01/13/2020. Marina and Amelia did some troubleshooting on the WebEx platform, and are ready for Saturday.
 - B) **Other Events – discussion:** None.
 - C) **Killingly Community Garden – meeting / review / discussion / action:** Staff reported progress on a water infrastructure project.
 - D) **Green News Newsletter – progress report**
 - i. **Readership report from recent issue:** Frank sent out a green news letter earlier in January. Readership was reported to be around 80%.
 - E) **490 Survey Results**
 - i. **Sample letter to follow up with respondents:** A sample letter was provided to the commission to follow up with 490 survey respondents who stated an interest in renting land. A discussion ensued regarding the Ag Commission's role in advertising the land and finding a suitable farming tenant.
 - F) **American Farmland Trust- Conservation Options for Connecticut Farmland**
 - i. **Rough quote on cost for postage to send to interested respondents:** Cost to send this AFT packet to 490 respondents interested in land conservation will be \$8.

- VI. **Town Council Liaison Report – meeting / progress report:** Patti provided an update on the business of the town council.
- VII. **Other Items – review/discussion/action:** None.
- VIII. **Next Meeting – Regular Meeting –FEBRUARY 10, 2021– review/discussion/action**
- IX. **Adjournment:** A motion was made to adjourn; seconded; the meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.

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