

**Town of Medway
Agricultural Commission
Medway Public Library, Historical Room
26 High Street, Medway MA 02053**

MINUTES OF MEETING

April 18, 2018

Present: Chairman Paul Atwood, Secretary Margaret Perkins, and Board Member Mike Kassel.

Chairman Atwood called the meeting to order at 7:43 PM.

Approval of Agenda and Minutes:

Chairman Atwood approved the agenda for the meeting of April 18, 2018.

A motion to accept the minutes of March 28, 2018 as submitted was made by Ms. Perkins, seconded by Mr. Kassel and approved unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

No citizens present.

Old Business:

- A. Proposed joint meeting with Holliston Agricultural Commission- Chairman Atwood has been in contact with the Chairman of the Holliston Agricultural Commission to schedule a joint meeting. Tentative dates are May 16th or 23rd and the commission agreed to tentatively schedule the meeting for the 16th at the Medway Public Library. Chairman Atwood plans on reaching out to the towns of Millis and Norfolk as well to gauge interest on joining the meeting.
- B. Updates on Chapter 61 land in Medway- no update.
- C. Medway Farmer's Market- no update.
- D. Right to Farm By-Law- Members of the commission scanned the information provided by Ms. Dempsey at the last meeting. Ms. Perkins noted that the major point of obtaining Right to Farm status is to make the public aware that farming is supported by the community. Chairman Atwood will talk it over with someone at Town Hall to see what the likelihood is that the town is interested in pursuing this endeavor.
- E. Medway Public School Gardens- no update.
- F. Medway Pride Day- will be held May 19th. The Board will check into sharing a table with the Medway Community Farm.

New Business:

- A. Chairman Atwood invited available Board members to participate in a baseline documentation workshop along with members of the Open Space Committee, which is taking place on May 5th, 2018 from 9-3 at the amphitheater. The baseline assessment will list the intended uses for the land, what it looks like presently as well as what modifications can be made to it in the future, and will allow for the receipt of conservation restrictions at the state level.

Next Meeting:

May 16, 2018 at 7:30 PM.

Adjournment:

The Board adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Filipa LeClair

Meeting Recording Secretary