

Franklin Agricultural Commission

Meeting Minutes from June 20, 2019

Municipal Building 355 East Central Street

In Attendance: Members Present: *Carly Fisher, Jeff Perry, Roger Trahan, Linda Noel, & Marian Szymanski. Mel Hamblin was present as well.*

1. Opening:

- A. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm by Chairman Carly Fisher.
- B. Roll Call: Five members of the Franklin Agricultural Commission were present.
- C. Approval of the Minutes: The minutes from the 6/3/2019 were unanimously approved.

2. New Business:

- A. Positive Response to Recent Events- The Franklin Agricultural Commission has received positive feedback for the pollinator pasture, the Town Council presentation, and our display at the Strawberry Stroll. We discussed ways in which we can build on these accomplishments.
- B. Pollinator Pastures- The Franklin Agricultural Commission has created one pollinator pasture and has made some plans to construct another at the Jefferson/Remington school. The on-going maintenance for these gardens was also discussed. Private pollinator pastures were also discussed. Homeowners would need to meet specific requirements and have their pastures inspected before they would qualify for a pollinator pasture sign. Marian S. will be the lead person on this project.
- C. Open Farm Day - Jeff P. and Carly F. will be the lead people on this project.

3. Old Business:

- A. Strawberry Stroll The zucchini seeds that were distributed at the Strawberry Stroll will hopefully grow into zucchinis which will be entered into the Zucchini Race. The event will be held at the Franklin Farmers Market on 9/16/2019.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned by Linda Noel and Roger Trahan at 8:00pm

Minutes submitted by: Marian Szymanski