

**Brooklyn Agricultural Commission**  
**Tuesday, September 24, 2019**  
**7:00 PM**  
**Town Hall**

**MINUTES**

I. **Call to Order** – Chairperson, Anne Ennis called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

II. **Roll Call (5 Regular and 3 Alternates)**

Anne Ennis, Chairperson; Charles Langevin, Vice Chairperson; Sandra Brodeur; Lou Brodeur. Stanley Karro was absent with notice.

III. **Seat alternate if necessary** – None.

IV. **Review minutes:**

A. August 27, 2019

Motion was made by L. Brodeur to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 27, 2019, as presented. Second by S. Brodeur. Motion carried unanimously (4-0-0).

V. **Public Participation** – None.

VI. **Old Business**

A. Walktober

C.Langevin has not had an opportunity to meet with Bill Reid or Nick Ballentone, however, he feels that as long as they do the walk a week before, they will be fine. Mr. Langevin commented that the event is described on the last page of the 2019 Walktober publication.

There was discussion:

- Water (which may be provided by the Conservation Commission) will be sufficient for refreshments.
- Limit of 60 participants (should pre-register).
- People who participate in the walk may choose to participate in the Last Green Valley Celebration Luncheon afterwards at Allen Hill Farm (cost involved for the LGV Celebration: Members of the Last Green Valley is \$20 and \$25 for Non-Members).

B. Sustainable Connecticut – S. Brodeur reported that she does not have any new information.

VII. **New Business:**

- A. Any new business to come before this meeting.
1. Purpose – No discussion.

S. Brodeur spoke with Joan Nichols who suggested the following:

- A passport. Each participating farm would have a stamp which individuals could collect for a prize. There was interest expressed in this idea. Ms. Brodeur will research further.
- Working with the NRCS to get information out.

S. Brodeur spoke of an article that she had read which states that 38 percent of farmers in Connecticut rely on leased farmland. She suggested that maybe someone could do a presentation/workshop. Ms. Brodeur will continue to research.

VIII. Action Items for Next Meeting

Finalize the Walktober Event. Three tractors and three wagons should be sufficient for sixty people. The Fire Department can follow with an ATV. Pick-up truck (with lights on) for an escort for the wagons. The plan is to park participants at Allen Hill Farm, transport with tractors to the Davis property, tractors will then wait by the River for those who want to ride back to Allen Hill Farm.

IX. Adjourn (Next meeting October 22, 2019).

Motion was made by C. Langevin to adjourn at 7:20 p.m. Second by L. Brodeur. Motion carried unanimously (4-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

J.S. Perreault  
Recording Secretary