Brooklyn Agricultural Commission Regular Meeting Tuesday, May 23, 2023 7:00 PM Town Hall Conference Room There will be no Zoom log-in available for this meeting.

PLEASE NOTE LOCATION CHANGE

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order Lou Brodeur, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Roll Call (5 Regular and 3 Alternates) Lou Brodeur, Chair; Charles Langevin, Vice Chair; Ann Ennis; Sandra Brodeur; Stanley Karro; Lachelle Rosinski.

III. Seat Alternate if necessary. – None.

IV. Review Minutes from the April 25, 2023 Meeting.

Motion was made by S. Brodeur accept the Minutes of the April 25, 2023, as presented. Second by A. Ennis. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote (6-0-0)

V. Public Participation – None.

VI. Old Business:

Continue discussion regarding filming with Cory LeBlanc.
 Mr. Langevin spoke highly of Mr. LeBlanc's work at Allen Hill Farm. He was pleased with how Mr. LeBlanc can incorporate other footage. Mr. Langevin expects him to return.

L. Brodeur will contact Mr. LeBlanc as he is hoping to get some footage of having.

There was discussion.

b. Purchase of Smart TV.

S. Brodeur spoke about how she researched and she ordered an LG 55-inch, Class UQ-9000 Smart TV - \$476.99 (due to be delivered Friday). She also ordered the warranty, USB cable and docking station. Total of \$620.00 for everything. She did not order the stand because she is not sure if it will be needed as it may be able to be mounted on the wall in the Better Living Building. Mr. Brodeur will request a spot with wall space.

Mr. Brodeur suggested getting a protective case/covering and the other Commission Members were agreeable.

There was discussion regarding the stand. It may not be needed because videos/information can be shared by using a flash drive.

There was discussion with A. Ennis regarding her visit to the school with some of her cows tomorrow.

Ms. Ennis expects to have a sign from Mystic Cheese (for the display) on Thursday.

c. Any other Old Business? - None.

VII. New Business:

a. Discussion of setup at the booth for the Brooklyn Fair. What will be needed? Table, handouts, couple of folding chairs, extension cord.
Check with USDA to get pamphlets to support agriculture and also UCONN Department of Agriculture for pamphlets.
Anything else that might be needed for the booth?
Brooklyn Fair is August 24-27.

Ms. Ennis offered to get pamphlets from the CT Department of Agriculture and she also try to get kid-friendly handouts from Agri-Mart. She will also look into getting flyers from Mystic Cheese.

Mr. Brodeur stated that Sally has gotten things from NRCS before. Ms. Brodeur will check with Betsy regarding flyers for the Farmers' Market. Ms. Brodeur will try to find the Brooklyn Ag Commission tablecloth.

 Who is available to set up booth at the Fair and be responsible to get setup accomplished? Setup can either be done on Wednesday August 23rd or Thursday August 24th, early morning.

Ms. Ennis stated that she may be able to help set-up depending on the time of day. Mr. Karro stated that he could assist. Ms. Rosinski will set-up the TV with the video to repeat.

There was discussion about a roll-up Brooklyn Agriculture Commission sign.

There may be a need for partitions.

Set-up will be discussed more at the next meeting.

Ms. Brodeur will contact the Conservation Commission to see if they are interested in doing anything.

c. Any new business to come before this meeting.

There was discussion regarding whether other towns' Ag Commissions set-up at fairs.

VIII. Action Items for Next Meeting – None.

IX. Public Participation – None.

X. Adjourn (Next Meeting – June 27, 2023).

Motion was made by S. Karro to adjourn at 7:24 p.m. Second by S. Brodeur. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously by voice vote (5-0-0).

Respectfully submitted,

J.S. Perreault Recording Secretary