

Brooklyn Agricultural Commission

Tuesday, December 22, 2015

7:00 PM

Town Hall

Present: Lou Brodeur, Sandy Brodeur, Charles Langevin, Joyce Meader, Sally Timmons, and Deb Tanner. Stan Karro was absent with notification.

Lou Brodeur appointed alternate member Sally Timmons to replace regular member Stan Karro.

It was noted that in the November 24, 2015 meeting minutes under New Business Item B, it should read "L. Brodeur" rather than "C. Brodeur." C. Langevin *motioned* to approve the November 24, 2015 meeting minutes as amended. S. Brodeur *seconded*. *All in favor; motion carried.*

Public Participation: None

Old Business:

Committee report for "History of Agriculture in Brooklyn:" There was no report.

Review final draft of regulations for (home owner) chicken farmers in residential areas: This item was tabled until the January 26, 2015 meeting.

490 Program presented by Joan Nichols: S. Timmons offered to procure the refreshments for this event. S. Brodeur would like to inform First Selectman Rice Ives that it would be beneficial for the Assessors to attend this presentation. She inquired whether the Farm Bureau intends to advertise the event. D. Tanner said that the answer is yes; she will follow up on this tomorrow. She stated that she expects the program to run for about two hours. In addition to speaking about the 490 Program, Ms. Nichols also will discuss the New Farmer Bucket List, a review of resources for new farmers. The Commission discussed the importance of contacting the chairs of the Windham County municipal agricultural commissions directly. S. Timmons will work on obtaining a list of the chairs.

S. Timmons *motioned* to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 PM. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Hopkins

Recording Secretary