

Town of Lunenburg

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
P.O. Box 135
Lunenburg, MA 01462-0135



Matthew Allison, Chair
Arthur Snow, Vice-Chair
Ryan Stober, Clerk
Jorge Marzuca, Member
-VACANCY-, Member
-VACANCY-, Alternate
-VACANCY-, Alternate

Meeting Minutes
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION
7:30 PM Thursday March 21, 2019
Ritter Memorial Building
960 Massachusetts Avenue

Present: M. Allison, A. Snow, R. Stober, J. Marzuca

Guests: D. Guerin, Director of the Science Department at LHS

Chair called the meeting to order at 7:32pm.

R. Stober moved to accept the minutes of December 20, 2018, A. Snow 2nd, J. Marzuca abstained, all aye.

D. Guerin gave a description of what she does at the school, specifically in the greenhouse. AgCom had paid \$300 two years ago for the cost of bussing students to the Boston Flower Show. A. Snow moved we pay \$300 for bussing this year, R. Stober 2nd, all aye. We shared past discussions by the commission about the new greenhouse. S. Harp was not present and there was no web page presentation. M. Allison began LCFM discussion by stating he received an email from H. Bowen today informing of her resignation as market manager, effective immediately. A. Snow stated that Acton has a producer only market and distributed 2 versions of suggested addition to the LCFM rules about resale of goods and farm visits. The members agreed to include the version allowing up to 25% resale and required farm visits. A. Snow moved, R. Stober 2nd to approve and include version #2 in the updated LCFM application/rules, all aye. A. Snow announced that Harvard will not be holding a farmers market this year. He also reported on discussions with Lunenburg DPW and MDOT about placement of a banner over 2A. It is permissible following certain criteria. Discussion followed about reaching out to other Town groups to gauge interest and financial support for such undertaking. A. Snow also mentioned a discussion with DPW and their approval to place market signs at existing Right To Farm (RTF) signs entering Lunenburg. M. Allison announced the next meeting of the Grange is April 5, 2019 where we will be receiving our new charter. He also reported on the determination by Town Manager and Counsel that the bag ban will not apply to the LCFM as long as it operated outside.

A. Snow moved to adjourn, R. Stober second, adjourned at 9:23pm.