

Lanesborough Agricultural Commission

Minutes

April 4, 2013

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm at the Lanesborough Town Hall in the Planning Board meeting room.

Attendees: Darlene Newton, Judy Gallant, Michael Gallagher, Marvin Michalak and Pete Gallant.

The minutes of March 14, 2013, were reviewed. It was M/S/A to approve the minutes as printed.

Old Business

1. Lanesborough School Garden

Marvin followed up with Home Depot regarding the fence for the garden. It was not possible for a full donation; however, it was suggested that a letter to the corporate headquarters might generate a discount. Possible grants through the Berkshire Taconic Foundation. Pete will check on the possibilities discussed.

It was noted that there are several vegetables that could be planted early.

2. Keep Farming Program

A meeting to discuss getting more farm products to schools and institutes is scheduled for April 8 at 7:30 pm at the First Baptist Church in Pittsfield.

3. After School Program

Marvin has been conducting a Gardening 101 class after school at the Lanesborough Elementary School. There have been 4 to 7 students. They have planted 24 6-packs with various seeds that they took home. The students have been invited to Marvin's greenhouse to plant hanging baskets.

New Business

The town report is due very soon. Darlene will generate a report that will include information on the school garden and two new members.

The next meeting date was set for May 2, 2013, at 7 pm.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 pm.