

TOWN OF KINGSTON
AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

Minutes of Meeting held October 23, 2008

Those present: Christine Nava, Barry Mathias, Rui Santos, Phil Burnham and Jean Landis Naumann,

Meeting called to order by Chairman Nava at 7:15 pm. The minutes of the 9/11/08 meeting were approved.

Rui surveyed the conservation land behind Kingston Block and found it to be somewhat overgrown. There was further discussion of clearing a portion of the property for a community garden should the Conservation Commission agree to this. Jean presented some information gathered on community gardens from various web sites. She will email the members with the links.

www.bostonnatural.org/cgOr_Resources.htm
http://harwichma.virtualtownhall.net/Public_Documents/Harwich...
<http://www.communitygarden.org/>

Barry will pursue this with the committee overseeing these properties. Barry will call Maureen for an appointment with the Conservation Commission. Phil will contact the Boy Scouts about working on this project.

Christine spoke with Jimmy Ruprecht about joining the Agricultural Commission. She will direct him to the Selectmen's office to complete a volunteer form. She will also contact Brad about his continued membership.

Jean mentioned that Richard Burnet is the contact for the Plympton Agricultural Commission. Barry volunteered to contact him about a joint Agricultural Celebration.

Jean shared her research on earth removal bylaws in similar towns. She will draft a letter to be sent to the Selectmen about forming a small bylaw study committee.

Christine mentioned the first statewide Agricultural Commission Conference to be held January 23 and 24, 2009. Jean urged the members to consider sending a representative.

A question was raised on the status of the oyster farming proposal. Jean will get an update for the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM. Next meeting scheduled for 11/13 at 7:00 PM...

Respectfully submitted, Jean Landis Naumann