# Town of East Windsor Agricultural Commission Minutes

Thursday, May 26, 2022 Location: Town Hall, Rye St. and Zoom meeting

# Agenda

- I. CALL TO ORDER 6:45 PM
- II. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM
  - 1. Attended by: Albert Grant, Donna Grant, Jim Strempfer Absent, Glenn Reichle, Wes Bell
- III. ADDED AGENDA ITEMS

CT Farmland Trust email

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Albert Grant made a motion to approve the minutes of Feb. 24, 2022. Jim Strempfer 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved. Albert Grant made motion to approve minutes of March 24, 2022. Jim Strempfer 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved. No minutes for April 28, 2022, no minutes due to no meeting, lack of quorum

#### V. NEW BUSINESS

- 1. An email from the CT Farmland Trust was received from Kathleen Doherty regarding a Regional Conservation Partnership Program. They recently completed a statewide mapping project that showed that East Windsor has some of the best farmland in the State. Albert grant has called her and is waiting for a return call.
- 2. Expenditures for the Community Garden were reviewed. A motion was made by Jim Strempfer to approve the expenditures. Albert 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.

# VI. OLD BUSINESS

1. Community Garden.

3 plots left, not rented.

An email was sent to gardeners who had extended their plots outside of the borders. They have complied with request to fix the problem.

Jim Strempfer has mowed.

Woodchuck traps discussed. Type of bait, ammonia on rags can be used to deter woodchucks.

2 stakes need to be installed to mark areas for rock piles.

Nothing has been pursued about the proposed Gardener advisory group.

- 2. The Nigel Palmer garden talk at the Warehouse Point Library was very interesting and well attended. He was given a donation of \$50.00. Nigel Palmer suggested meeting with the Community Gardeners to discuss the benefits of mulching the ground. The gardeners might have difficulty bring in mulch to use. It was suggested to possibly bring in a large bale of straw for their use.
- 3. Nothing new reported for the RFP for the Kogut land and barn.

# VII. MISCELLANEOUS

# VIII. REPORTS OF STAFF

- IX. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
- X. ADJOURMENT
  - 1. Motion to adjourn. Albert Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Strempfer. Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by Donna Grant, Recording Secretary