

**Town of Sandwich
Agriculture Commission
Minutes
April 12, 2023**

Present: Cara Sutherland, Holly Cook, Rich Masta, Dick Devens, Maggie Porter, Joanne Haight and guest, Kay Masta

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by Cara, Chairperson.

Minutes: Dick moved to accept the March 8, 2023 minutes, Rich seconded the motion and all voted in favor. The March 8, 2023 minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report: \$500 remains in the account with no expenditures.

Business Meeting:

Old Business:

Discussed Maple Weekend. It was suggested that this commission post a list of local sugarhouses next year.

Cara reported that School to Farm has a variety of educationally opportunities for the 5 classes that are planning to participate at the Remick Farm.

Rich sent a farm survey out and no one responded.

New Business:

There was some discussion on biosecurity and general farm security.

The group discussed plans for presentations and workshops. Cara is working with NH Humanities Council. Discussed offering workshops to make jam, zucchini relish, and pickles. Rich will contact CCCD regarding a presentation on Apple trees.

Joanne reported that the selectboard has discussed hosting a Community Day to promote community spirit.

There was some discussion on how to promote and support a farmers market through the summer.

Adjourn:

Cara moved to adjourn, Rich seconded the motion, all voted in favor, and the meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

The next meeting will be held on 05/10/23 at 5:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Cook
Secretary