Oxford Agricultural Commission

Meeting Minutes - May 20, 2014

Call to Order: 7:07 pm

Roll Call: Ed Belinsky, Bob Owsiany, Dave Rich, Ed Gazy, Mary Duford and Fred Rowland

Absent:

Audience of Citizens: John Barlow, Robin Michalak, Brian Murphy

Correspondence: None Minutes Read: N/A

Commissioner's Reports:

Bob: Received permit for Farmers Market July-December

Old/Unfinished Business:

Farmers Market- 2014

<u>Planning:</u> Mr. Barlow recommended that we contact Ulga from the Central Office at 203 888-7754 X15 to fill out a building use form with the school system. Also interest was given to include a Master Farmers booth.

Schedule- July through October

Location- Center School

<u>Advertising-</u> Mary presented two proposed signs to advertise the event. Discussions followed to add the location of the event to the sign. Sign two was accepted with revisions with a proposed date of July to October.

Improvements-

Permit Application- Received from the Town Hall

Children's Garden

Revisions to garden plans- A set of plan was presented by Bob. Bob mentioned that the plan may be revised that we install less than 1 foot of topsoil to save on costs. We also want to install a chicken coop and shed to store equipment. Another thing we are interested in will be renting out plots to offset cost. Town Crew would remove asphalt but did not have the ability to install an electric wire due to a rock outcrop.

Mr. Barlow mentioned that community members are not allowed to be on campus during school activities.

Meet and greet with school officials- Questions were brought from the school officials regarding the plans, animals, and curriculum.

Items discussed included one water line to supply water, one 120V electric line leading to the site, chickens onsite was recommended to be postponed.

Mike Guidone is the science teacher that has expressed interest in the project.

A proposed meeting with the school officials and the OAC will be made

Grant writer requests- Town grant writer is actively researching opportunities

Old Time Fair

2014 planning

Obtain formal location approval from the town-

Create survey to determine interest from local groups and individuals.

New Business:

Next meeting Tuesday June 17, 2014

Adjournment: At 8:33pm

Respectfully submitted by Ed Belinsky

