



## TOWN OF BOXBOROUGH Meeting Minutes

### Boxborough Agricultural Commission Meeting Minutes for July 19, 2022

Approved on August 16, 2022

**Members Present:** Owen Neville, Chair; Bryon Clemence, Acting Clerk; Kathie Becker

**Members Absent:** John Neyland

**Others Present:** Margaret Delano (member appointed but not sworn in)

The Agricultural Commission held its monthly meeting on July 19, 2022. The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:43 PM in the Morse-Hilberg Room at Town Hall, 29 Middle Road, Boxborough.

**1. Review and Approve Minutes:** The Commission approved the minutes of June 16, 2022, as amended, by a vote of 2 to 0, with one abstention (moved by Becker, seconded by Neville).

**2. Public Participation:** None

**3. Correspondence:** Neville noted communication from the Select Board and town counsel regarding training for open meeting and public records law.

**4. Reorganization.** The Commission tabled this until all members could be present.

**5. Community events.** The Commission discussed the harvest fair (not happening, according to the Grange); the Free Bee Market (monthly plus weekly pop-ups); the A-B Farmers Market (Ridge Hill Farm participating; volunteer opportunities); surveying local farmers. Delano to contact former fair coordinator; Clemence to contact ABFM.

**6. 95/105 Sargent Road.** Neville provided an update on the July 6 meeting, land grant, interim owner, and work with Conservation Commission on the "forestry stewardship" component.

**7. New Management at Paddock Estates.** Neville reported that Paddock Estates is under new ownership and is being managed by Lincoln Property. He walked the trail easement and will discuss coordination with the Conservation Commission.

**8. Open Space and Recreation Plan.** Neville summarized progress to date. The Planning Board didn't post meetings or provide a draft. The current plan is good through July, which would appear to conflict with the schedule for acquiring the Sargent Road parcels.

**List of documents and other exhibits.** Draft meeting minutes for June 16, 2022; brochure for Harvard Grown

The Commission scheduled its next meeting for August 16, 2022 at 7:30 PM, at Town Hall. It scheduled subsequent meetings in 2022 for September 20, October 18, November 15, and December 13.

The meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM by a vote of 3 to 0 (moved by Clemence, seconded by Becker).

Respectfully submitted,  
Bryon Clemence, Member