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MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2018 AGRECULTURAL COMMISION MEETING

Present: Norma York Richard Miranda
Maria Goncalves Robert Gilmore
Scott Harding Nancy Reedy

Absent

- I. **Meeting called to order at:** 7:01 P.M.
- II. **Minutes for approval:** May 14, 2018
Financial Monthly Report: May 14, 2018
- III. **Meeting Mailed:** (None)
- IV. **Appointment:** (None)
- V. **New Business**

Norma ok we where talking about the web design and we said we where going to do something Lisa had offered to do some boss it up I got inContact with Old Colony and they head person they have a graphic design that the kids do it and I proposed it her that what we want and she sounds like fun but of course don't forget Old Colony closes for the summer now she said contact me in the fall when we have classes and what we will do put it in contact with the kids and they will design and we will help them out course on suggestion Maria we will have to supply them stuff Rich pictures and things picture that we used Scott you had said that Keith said we could use some of there pics that they have like strawberry fields and stuff they could have a lot of fun and when they put it up honestly they can have one of the screen that rotate on website. Norma some one mention that there is no Right to Farm sign over at the Alden

Road entrance of course the town has been busy with the marmoreal we never put one up there did we have enough they still have extras. Norma after our chicken thing last week I was talking to some one about it on we can draft a warrant abolition you can abolition the stable permit that is state, so we can draft a warrant abolition this permit for chickens having \$25 for two or three chickens if it goes to town meeting it goes. Maria we should bring up the town size lots doing smaller then $\frac{1}{2}$ acreage size lot in open street not counter sack or development? Rebeca does check and goes around and if there isn't any issue and the bottom line is a rodent problem in the small area in the village they are discriminating because people are out of the village and a people having permits that will not help it just put money into for Maria maybe we can have meeting try to explain how to control things like that we can get involve with the Grange and do that. Maria you can have a chicken coup up to 10 feet from your neighbor property line and I don't know about that it's not a permanent it's a chicken coup it doesn't have a foundation. Norma its ridiculous we are pushing the farm land and they are reducing lot sizes the town has to face the fact it wants to be bedroom for New Bedford or be them self its been so many years it would be a sham to change it. Norma, I spoke to some one over in Freetown and they don't have Ag Commission and that is what they want to do. Bristol County has really good organization we really do have some good ones and even the Grange and they are agricultural thing did well and the weather was not helping. Next meeting to July 19, 2018

VI. Old Business

Norma report on parting with the Historical Commission on the Founders Day you Scott said she is going to have a shoulder replacement she had the surgery and is in light rehab I spoke to her today there is a little bit of confusion with the founders day they have not done that quite some time I don't know the original date was however the Historical Commission is schedule August 12, 2018 primary a car show at the Quaker Meeting House so it's a Sunday it will be food truck there they will dedicate your familiar with the property down the right side where the carriage house area that hole corner till the street we can have that area for the Ag Com I can volunteer what I don't have but I can bring unless its crazy weather I can bring a observation hive I have the same hive that we used on the float I can bring a new shallow see what the frame look like Norma I can bring enough tractors around this fellow right here can hook up some you have a trailer you can take I don't know if there will be enough room up there? We will have to get together before then and I will see what we have Scott The Historical Commission is going to have in July meeting we didn't have June meeting I would if we could go to that meeting and in July 11 meeting lets go because Maria will be able to round up brown self-fees and we can have some animals over there we could go see Dave Costa he must have some Maria I found one that looks like a white pillow and perfect size not going to explain everything so. Scott they love some animals we can do something like for the Spring Expo and expand it Maria maybe we can bring some depending how late what is coming out in the garden put a table there and the hours in August 12 it's a Sunday maybe we can do something

right on site as many as we can make we can go out there and look around so we can get an idea of what will fit is that on the right side or left side when you enter its right on Perry St when they walk in we will be right on the right side we could have banners all sort of things we can get the earth master polished and we have all sort of antiques equipment at less Bob we can put something together. Norma I was going to bring that up it kinds of bother me the town has so many historical and its all free it must drive Pauline nuts people don't go out that end of town to attract a little attention to the Historical Commission all the building we have and make people more aware of things and nice location its almost can we help at the Town Meeting House just sit out there its great its one afternoon to open and get people out there do they do anything like on the Apple Peach festival an push them out there and see it's a beautiful spot. We can come to the July meeting if they have it? Scott I will make some call and make that suggestion.

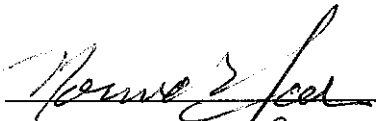
VII. **Future Business:**

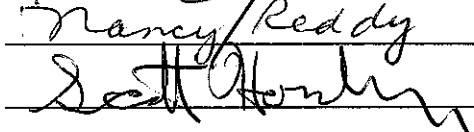
VIII. **Meeting adjourned:** at 7:48 P.M.

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Respectfully submitted": Maria Goncalves





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