

Town of Bridgewater Massachusetts Agricultural Commission

Agenda: 2/28/2017

1. Call To Order
2. Designation of Minute Taker
3. Roll Call/ Introduction of those Present
 - a. Brian Alves_____
 - b. David Anderson _____
 - c. Lori Tunewicz-Gavin _____
4. Read Previous Meeting Notes
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Public Comments- Reserved Time for Items Listed on Agenda
7. Read Any Communications
8. Reports of Any Sub Committees
 - a. There are none at this time
9. Unfinished Business
 - a. Continue in establishing a procedure for dealing with agricultural complaints. (ongoing process)
 - i. Obtain description of complaint and details
 - ii. Determine course of action which may include:
 1. Drive by
 2. Visit/inspection and documentation (this may be initiated by an introductory visit, leaving a brochure about the agricultural commission, its mission and the reason for the visit.)
 3. Bring back findings to the next meeting.
 - b. Update on Agricultural Commission Brochure (Brian): Brian will continue to work on this
 - c. Research updates:
 - i. State Agricultural Law (ongoing process)
 1. The commission decided to begin to look at state decisions/lawsuits involving agriculture through Google Scholar to help increase our knowledge of Massachusetts state agricultural laws and precedents.
 - ii. Statutory Supreme court decisions regarding roosters and other hot topics
 - iii. Manure regulations
 - d. Joining MAAC.
 - i. Update after last email.
10. New Business
 - a. Discuss plans for any new complaints
 - i. Visits times
 - ii. Who is going

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- b. Show brochure (if complete)
- c. Discuss any research made from State Agricultural Law or Supreme Court decisions/lawsuits.
- d. Information on the Wareham livestock regulation proposal.
 - i. Updates on meeting date & time.

- 11. Public Comments
- 12. Miscellaneous
- 13. Closed Session
- 14. Return to Open Session
- 15. Adjournment.