
TOWN of NORTHFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS
Agricultural Commission Minutes
November 12, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Bill Llewelyn, Bill Ames, Bob Duby, Joe Madiedro, and Al Stone.

- Minutes were approved and signed.
- Farming paragraph in the Open Space report was critiqued and some changes were made. See attached document.
- Bob Duby attended the Western Massachusetts Agriculture meeting at Apex Orchard in Shelburne. It was reported that we have many farmers with small acreage growing agricultural products. The difficulty is marketing the products. They are having success selling their produce in the eastern part of the state. It was proposed that the Ag Committees educate the school community and offer field trips to farms in their area. Also, we should be working with the planning and zoning boards to help promote the preservation of farm lands.
- Joe suggested that we set up our own website listing the farms in Northfield. Hopefully we can offer a link to view different products that are produced in Northfield. The Board will continue to discuss at the next meeting.
- **Next meeting will be January 14, 2020.**
- Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Bill Llewelyn
Al Stone

Stacy E. Bond

Patricia Stone, Secretary