

# TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

## Agricultural Commission Minutes

January 9, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. The following members were present: Bill Ames, Stacy Bond, Bob Duby, Bill Llewelyn, Al Stone (via Facetime) and Jerry Wagener.

- Minutes from November 14, 2017 were read and accepted.
- Discussed next year's budget. \$500 last year. Balance of \$387.09 as of 12/1/17. Decision was made to ask for \$700 for this coming year.
- Annual report is due March 1.
- Map and directory of the farms was perused. No changes to date. Update the keys to clarify some of the properties. The Apple Creek farm on Old Wendell Road was added.
- Jerry Wagener discussed some information on video potentials. He showed a short video made by a Leyden resident, Angus Reid. His prices range from \$80 an hour for filming and \$50 an hour for editing. He will be invited to the March meeting. Another source for review is the video *5 Point Farm Corn Production*, Brian Llewelyn produced in 2014. It is on YouTube. Bob Duby said there is a short video produced by a Williams College faculty member called Forgotten Farms at [forgottenfarms.org](http://forgottenfarms.org). Will take all under consideration as well as how the video would be used. Town website? Link?
- The third week in April will be Plow Days and hope to be able to include this event in the video.
- Next meeting will be March 13, 2018 . Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Patricia Stone, Secretary  
cc: Administrative Assistant

*Bill Llewelyn*  
*Stacy Bond*  
*R.T. Duby*  
*William S. Ames*