

TOWN OF NORTHFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS

Agricultural Commission Minutes

July 10, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. Members present: Bill Llewelyn, Al Stone, and Jerry Wagener.

- Angus Reid (Q Filmworks) was paid \$249.98 to begin the work on the Farm video. Jerry will get an update from him on his progress.
- Minutes from May 8, 2018 were read and accepted.
- MA Humanities might have a grant that would assist us with the Farm video. Jerry will do a preliminary search to see if it would be feasible.
- Map and directory of the farms was discussed. The Board discussed the changes and double-checked the directory/map. New changes were noted and a corrected directory will be available for the September meeting.
- Send a letter to the State Agricultural Commission about the Chapter 61 yearly notification change. This Commission wishes to see it continued. If the yearly notification is discontinued, individuals who don't fill out the yearly Chapter 61 form could be dropped from the program.
- Approximately one-third of the town is under Chapter 61. Jerry will send an email to members on the comparison taxes of Chapter 61 versus state-owned land.
- Our Farm directory will go to an estimated 1,350 households. We will get an estimate on the cost. The postage will be about \$250.
- Next meeting will be September 11, 2018. Meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Patricia Stone, Secretary
cc: Administrative Assistant