

AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

April 3, 2018

First Floor Meeting Room, Town Hall

MINUTES

Present: David Machowski, Masoud Hashemi, Ryan Karb, Rebecca Fricke and Cynthia Banfield-Weir

7:28 PM Meeting was called to order.

- Minutes from February 13, 2018 meeting were approved unanimously after David's last name was spelled correctly.
- Town Meeting - warrant - was approved unanimously as written.
- Marijuana growing in Amherst - topic was tabled. It was agreed that Geoff Kravitz should be invited to speak on the issue at one of our upcoming meetings.
- There was consensus that we would not sponsor a summer farm poster because it was decided that social media is probably a better platform for the farms to spread the news.
- Northampton Ag Com is asking regional agricultural commissions to rank our interests and then they will tally the rankings and choose the top three topics for the next regional meeting. We ranked the topics as followed:
 - 1) Local Food Self-sufficiency
 - 2) Farm Trespassing
 - 3) Marijuana and Agriculture
 - 4) Solar and Agriculture
- Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15th at 7 PM.

7:45 PM Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Fricke