

MANSFIELD AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE

DRAFT Minutes of June 1, 2010 meeting

Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building

Conference Room B, 7:30 p.m.

1. Chairman Charlie Galgowske (acting chair) called the meeting to order at 7:35.

PRESENT: Charlie Galgowski, Kathleen Paterson, Bill Palmer, Ed Wazer, Raluca Molcanu, Vicky Wetherell, Larry Lombard, Jennifer Kaufman (staff). Also attending: Meredith Poehlitz.

2. Minutes of the May 4, 2010, meeting were approved.

Old Business

3. Pleasant Valley draft zoning map and regulation revisions

The committee reviewed a draft of their statement, and a representative will read it at the PZC hearing on June 7.

4. Presentation to the Town Council

The committee reviewed a draft and will finalize at their July 7 meeting for a July presentation.

New Business

6. Report from the Tax Abatement Subcommittee

Tax relief mandated by the state and options for town tax relief were reviewed. The Town Council would have to act before October 1 to have an effect for July, 2011, tax bills. The committee will finalize a recommendation at their July meeting. Presentation of tax options to the Council will be after the committee's July presentation.

7. Sustainability Committee meeting

The committee requested that this meeting be postponed until the fall.

8. USDA proposed animal vaccine lab

Charlie reported on the USDA/UConn proposal for this lab at the Depot Campus.

9. Meeting with Committee on Committees

A meeting about updating committee charge has been rescheduled for June 23 at 7 p.m.

10. The meeting adjourned at 9:15.

A subcommittee was formed to review existing regulations and model regulations from CCROG and Guilford. The committee will report with a draft at the September meeting.

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8. May 1 meeting - agenda items

Presentation to the Town Council, report from farm tax subcommittee.

9. Meeting adjourned at 9:20.