

Town of Bridgewater Massachusetts

Agricultural Commission

Agenda

1. Call to order 7:30
2. Designation of minute taker Dave Anderson
3. Roll call / Introduction of those present
Brian Alves ___x___ David Anderson___x___ Lorie Tunewicz- Gavin_____
4. Read previous meetings notes. Approved as read
5. Approval of agenda. approved
6. Public comments –Reserved time for items listed on agenda. **No public present**
7. Read any communications. None at this time.
8. Reports of any sub committees (There are none at this time)
9. Unfinished business :
 - a Discuss any research gathered from the previous month (on going) no new information
 - b: Chicken complaint Romney Road- i.) Coop location abutting property line: Forward to Zoning board ii) Manure removal: Being vacuumed and sprayed into nearby privately owned woods causing odors. Nothing seen by the Agg com member Brian Alves after site visit. Two earlier drive bys did not disclose any odors. On May 15th a site visit with Mrs. and Mr. Prisco was conducted by Dave Anderson at 10:00am. After an extensive tour of the back property of the Prisco's and the wooded area behind the chicken there was virtually no evidence to confirm the allegation of spraying of manure, chips or debris into the woods nor odors of any kind. I took pictures. Mr. Prisco did not have an explanation as the lack of debris/manure/chips etc. He insisted he observed the spraying the previous week. When asked if it was possible his neighbor ran the "machine" to make it appear that is what he was doing. He agreed that may be possible.
 - c: Plans to submit for approval an official complaint form for all Ag comm related matters:
 - i) Each ag com member to provide insight on what the form should contain.
 - ii) To be posted on bridgeater Ag com web page upon approval.
 - iii) Continue to work on form
 - d) Request to be sent to Town Manager for an Ag com Email Address from the town. Motion to not pursue the request for Email made seconded and passed.
10. New business: NO new business to report
11. Public comments. General none
12. Miscellaneous none
13. Closed session. NA
14. Return to open session NA
15. Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 845 pm.