

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:30

Members Present: Mike Miner, Craig Staebner (via phone), Alan Holmberg.

Alternate Members Present: Mackenzie Beckwith

Guests present: None

Approval of Minutes: Mackenzie made motion to accept minutes from 12/21/23, Mike 2nd.

Election of Officers:

Craig made motion to nominate Mike as chairman, Alan 2nd. No other nominations. The motion passes.

Mike nominates Alan for vice chairman, Craig 2nd. No other nominations. The motion passes.

Craig nominates Mike for secretary, Mackenzie 2nd. No other nominations. The motion passes.

Old Business:

Agriculture picture submissions can be emailed to mackenziebeckwith@gmail.com

Discussion:

Minutes that got emailed out were from November meeting, not December

Is there any land that is actually owned by the town under the open space fund? If so is there a list of these lots and their locations?

Potential calendar picture submission ideas, t shirts/sweatshirts, or scholarship potential for our \$400 budget.

Ag town map for business to visit in town, encouraging people to visit these agricultural areas or businesses in town.

Fundraising potential, is it possible to raise money for the Ag Commission? If it IS possible to have a fundraiser, is it also possible to have a part of the budget that gets rolled over instead of disappearing at the end of the year?

ConnecticutFarmLink for Grant information. Connecticut Department of Agriculture weekly newsletter for grant information as well. Is it possible to include link to these sites on the Franklin Ag webpage?

Adjournment: Alan made motion to adjourn, Mike 2nd. Adjourned at 8:12PM.

****Next meeting is February 15th 7:30PM at Town Hall.****