

Stockbridge Agricultural and Forestry Commission Meeting

March 4, 2024 Minutes

Present

Agricultural and Forestry Commission	Guests
Mathieu Boudreau, chair Erik Rasmussen, co-chair (via Zoom) Lisa Bozzuto Abigail Fredsall (via Zoom)	

1. Matt called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Matt made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting of February 5.

Eric seconded the motion. All voted in favor

2. **Updates:** Arbor Day

Abby is not sure how many seedlings Mt Mountain High School will be supplying. She will also check and see how many students want to attend the event, and whether they will make an informational pamphlet.

Lisa will contact Carole Owens of Stockbridge Updates to request that the event be publicized.

3. **Updates:** Farmers Market

Matt spoke with Michale Canales and reported that Michael believes that we are within budget.

Not all vendors are fully committed to the Market, but we have not lost any.

Stuart Kelso is applying for SNAP benefits and he will put an ad in Berkshire Grown and other promotional materials. Stuart will also be present in the Market during open hours.

4. **Discussion:** Town Composting

Per Abby, Mark Buffoni asked her to start looking at informational composting documents. Mark has places where information can be posted for distribution. Abby will work on fliers to make the fliers specific to Stockbridge. She will also speak with Mark about making composting signs.

5. **Discussion:** MVP Tree Application

Lisa and Patrick White had conference call with Emma Sass from MVP regarding possibly submitting an MVP application for tree planting.

6. **Discussion:** Realtors; Stockbridge is a Right to Farm town.

Eric would like local realtors to know that Stockbridge is a "Right to Farm" town. Berkshire Realtors website has a link to "Right to Farm". Eric will follow up to learn more about this

7. **Adjournment:** Confirm next meeting date and time

Next meeting is Monday, April 1, 6:30 pm

At 7:04 pm Matt made a motion to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Bozzuto