Merrimack Agricultural Commission

December 12, 2012

Minutes

Chairman Bob McCabe called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. in the Matthew Thornton Room.

Only voting members Bob McCabe and Bess Parks present

Bob McCabe has talked to Cynthia Warhola about a letter to the Hardeman's thanking them an allowing us to use land on their property for our Farmer's Market in year 2013.

A thank you letter is being sent out to the vendors at the Farmer's Market along with a survey review. There may be a seed swap and planting demonstrations held again this spring.

A check was mailed by the Merrimack Finance Department to UNHCE to administer the scholarship fund from the Merrimack Agricultural Commission to the Merrimack, NH Silver Saddles 4H group.

Treasurer's report: As of November 30, 2012 the balance for the Farmer's Market was \$2, 137.00. Balance for the Community Garden was 1,450.00, making a total of \$3,587.00

Bob McCabe and John Lastowka submitted a farmland map to the Master Plan Committee and it will be ready in January or February.

New ideas for 2013, Bob McCabe will have a Community Garden brochure ready for end of January. This brochure should be a trifold with info at the Town Hall and the library. The Farmers Market sign will be changed at the transfer station to the volunteer sign. The Ag Commission needs new volunteers. Anyone willing to help with the Ag Commission Bylaws please let John Lastowka or Bob McCabe know. Bob and John also have to have the annual report in January 2013.

Let us come to January 2013 meeting with renewed vigor and concentration.

Bess moved to adjourn and Bob seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Trudy Currier (acting secretary)