

MINUTES
FARMERS' MARKET COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
LISBON TOWN HALL
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2014
7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

The Special Meeting of the Farmers' Market Committee was called to order by Donna Harris, Chairman, at 7:05 P.M.

PRESENT: Donna Harris, Elaine Joseph, Terry Joseph, Adeline Jernstrom, Christopher Harris (Alt)


ABSENT: Sharon Gabiga

1. Vendor Types and Zoning Regulations – discussion of language and descriptions to be used for the Zoning Regulation/Text Amendment Application to be submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission for approval. Language to include a description of the market as an outdoor market to be operated by a town committee on town property, one day per week (no private farmers' markets permitted). One "Major Special Event" may be scheduled, and two smaller "Special Market Events" may be scheduled throughout the market season (currently undetermined). Language for permitted products/vendors will possibly include the following: CT grown farm products: Fruits; vegetables; mushrooms; herbs; grains; legumes; nuts; eggs; honey bee products; flowers and nursery products; livestock products (milk, ice cream, cheese, yogurt, butter, dairy, meat); seafood. Value added farm products (CT grown/produced): Baked goods; jams, jellies & preserves; maple syrup and other syrups; dried fruit; soaps; beverages; non-competing prepared foods; flowers and plants. Quality hand crafted items: to be pre-approved by the Committee on an individual basis as "special vendors" and may include hand-crafted jewelry; pottery; artwork; woodwork. "Special vendors" may also include non- selling or informational vendors such as non-profit groups. Language to describe the number of "special vendors" present on any market day may restrict it to four special vendors. Language may restrict the number of "major market events" to one per season. The market is to remain an "exempt market" so that CT grown/produced products may be sold by vendors that were not grown on their farms, when appropriate.

Actual language for consideration not completed at the Special Meeting and will be further discussed at the next regular meeting. The Committee will seek the advice of the Town Planner before submitting the final language with the application.

Adjournment – Motion to adjourn by T. Joseph second by A. Jernstrom to adjourn at 7:52 P.M.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED


Elaine Joseph, clerk

APPROVED: _____

Donna Harris, Chairman

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Maryanne Blakeley, ass't