

Woodstock Agricultural Commission

Regular Meeting, Taylor Brooke Winery, 1 pm, Monday, June 19, 2023

Members Present: Linda Auger, Emilie Hebert, Rebecca Hyde, Paul Miller, Richard Norman, Karen Swanberg (@ 1:09)

Absent: Jon Hermonot, Stewart Morse

Public present: Grace Jacobson

1. **Call to order** Meeting called to order at 1:00 pm

2. **Seat alternates** Paul Miller and Linda Auger seated

3. **Review of minutes** May 2023 minutes were approved

4. **Public participation** None

5. **Old business**

a. **WOSLAPC report** no report

b. **P&Z report** ZEO office is staffed. ZEO submitted a memo to the last P&Z meeting which was supportive of immediate permitting for Buck's and the new restaurant where Sherwood's restaurant was.

c. **Farm Store Definition** no progress

d. **Celebrate Agriculture 2023** plans are going forward. Sept 23, Brooklyn Fairgrounds.

f. **Other** In Federal news, H.R.1147 "Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act of 2023" has made it out of committee as of 6/6/23 and next will have to pass in the House. Bipartisan support with 132 cosponsors.

6. **New business**

a. **State of CT Ag Report** The 2023 legislative session has ended. Bears may now be shot in self-defense or by farmers if they are damaging crops or livestock.

b. **Woodstock land map review** Review of all maps complete

c. **Other** 4-H Fair will be July 28-30. Grange Fair August 5. 4-H Cow Camp coming up shortly.

7. **Announcements** none

8. **Adjourn** The meeting adjourned at 1:56.

Rebecca Hyde, Secretary

(These minutes are subject to approval at the next meeting of the full Commission.)