

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
FARMERS' MARKET COMMITTEE  
LISBON TOWN HALL  
THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2023  
7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Farmers' Market Committee was called to order by Edward Gionet, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Edward Gionet, Laura Sweet, Rich Ruppel, Tanner Wilson (remote)

2. Reading of previous minutes – Motion made by R. Ruppel second by L. Sweet to approve the previous Special Meeting minutes of March 16, 2023 with stipulation that the number of Market Managers allowed is clarified at the next meeting.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

3. Correspondence - none

4. Bills and action thereon - none

5. Old Business

- a. New Vendor Solicitation – Chairman Gionet has list of vendors from the 2022 market season to contact to see if they are interested in participating in the 2023 season. L. Sweet will contact the vendors from the 2019 list.

7. New Business

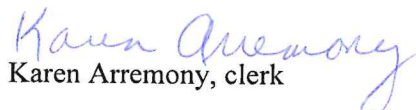
- a. Flyers and marketing for upcoming season - C. Joly, the administrator for the Lisbon Now! Facebook page indicated that advertising for the market can be listed there anytime. She also offered to sponsor a rock painting table activity as well as a soup kitchen table. Chairman Gionet discussed the possibility of researching the concept of Market Buddies with local businesses offering to donate gift cards or supplies. He also discussed the possibility of market pins which would allow the wearer a discount from participating market vendors. Another idea was to sponsor ads from local businesses on a market flyer. T. Wilson provided a sample of this to the group. L. Sweet and Chairman Gionet volunteered to speak with local banks for sponsorship or donations for various activities. R. Ruppel discussed topics presented at the state sponsored Farmers' Market Managers Meet Up on 4/10/23. Chairman Gionet will contact E. Windham of the CT Dept of Agriculture in regards to more information on the Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) certification.
- b. Market schedule assignment – Chairman Gionet confirmed that the barn area would be available for all market dates. L. Sweet will be available to work for all market dates. Chairman Gionet will contact Prokop signs with regard to getting quotes for printing new market signs. L. Sweet researched NextDoor for advertising and will need access to the Farmers' Market email account for this.

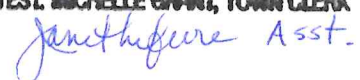
7. Adjournment – Motion by E. Gionet second by L. Sweet to adjourn at 8:43 p.m.

VOTE: UNANIMOUS, MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Edward Gionet, Chairman

  
Karen Arremony, clerk

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