



# TOWN OF BERKLEY MASSACHUSETTS

## AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION

1 NORTH MAIN STREET  
BERKLEY, MA 02779

Board Meeting Minutes:

6:00pm Assessor's office

Agricultural Commission meeting January 23, 2025

**Members present:** George Faria, Angela Young, Ed Harmon, Harry Harmon, Lisa Tetreault, Aaron Fernandes

**Members absent:** Thomas Fernandes

**Meeting called to order** by George at 6:01pm

### **Accept Minutes of 1/9/25 meeting**

Members were provided a copy of the meeting minutes via email prior to the meeting. Lisa asked for spelling correction of Assessors. Lisa motioned to accept the minutes as written with the addition of the spelling correction, second Ed. All in favor. None opposed

### **Update on Soil Review**

Lisa sent two emails now with no response. Lisa spoke to Gary the town assessor who will contact them and tell them what we are looking for. He will provide them with Lisa's contact info.

### **Funding/Account type (non-profit, grants etc.)**

George is still working on this. He made several phone calls today. He found out that the committee can't even sell shirts/merchandise but it has to come from the "friends committee" who run the non-profit. George talked to the historical society in town and they reached out to the individual who helped them with their non-profit status. The reported to George that it was not that costly for them to obtain this status. George said he should be good by next meeting with more concrete info.

George mentioned the Taunton airport. They have an association as part of their non-profit. They get funding for ag. George discussed grants and to get a grant to fund the non-profit status the grant money would go to the town with the notion that it was to be used for the Ag comm non-profit status. It would go to the non-profit account for the town.

### **T-Shirts**

George just has to grab the check from the donor and give it to Amy. She has the order request in place.

### **Plaques**

A sample of available plaques was mailed to the group earlier in the week. The group talked over what they liked. In consensus of one plaque Ed made a motion to order the Oak Plaque Sku OPP24- 24 Plate oak finish completed perpetual plaque. Lisa second. All in favor. None opposed.

Angela asked cost of plaque. George will give plaque order to Amy who will provide a price. Prices will be discussed at next meeting.

### **RTF Signs**

One sign will be ordered with the T-shirt order. Once the plaque price is obtained we will know how much money we have left to order more signs. Whatever is left will be used to purchase RTF signs for the town.

### **FB page update**

Angela asked if anyone had the chance to look at the FB page. It is a group not a page as suggested by FB. Lisa will mess with it this week and report back at next meeting. As an admin Angela discussed that the view is much different as it is for Aaron and Harry.

**Public Input** – none

Ed motioned to end the meeting at 6:26pm. Lisa second. All in favor, none opposed. Next meeting to be 2.6.25 in the assessor's office.

**Minutes by: Angela Young**

*Angela Young RN*

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