

March 23, 2021

Coventry Farmers' Market Operating Committee  
Special Meeting Minutes  
Via Zoom video conferencing

Call to order:

The meeting was called to order by Nelson at 8:06 am.

Roll Call:

Eric Trott, Erica Pagliuco, Katrina Weaver, Jean Nelson, Jamie-Lynn Connell, Alexa Gorlick, Susan Ruggiero, Janine Coughlin, Jean Nelson

Adoption of Minutes:

A motion was made by Weaver and seconded by Pesce to adopt the minutes of March 9, 2021. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of 2021 Market Season Planning:

Eric reviewed the 2021 'To Do' list for the season. He is going to be meeting with DPW to review the work to be done on site. Erica mentioned that Newcity Builders is willing to donate equipment and labor to do some site work, including: removal of big rocks, back left corner where erosion occurs. Also, clearing of vegetation around the periphery of the parking lot needs to be done. Eric will work with Newcity to facilitate their in-kind work. The Town is very appreciative for Newcity's kind offer. There may be an opportunity to pursue a donation of material from Desiato. Other items such as additional gravel around the barn, BMI application/fee, mowing of fields by Andover Landscaping.

Vendor applications have begun coming in. There are a few vendors who will not be returning: Nora Cupcake, Muddy Feet Flowers, the nut vendor, Not Only Juice may be taking only one space. All applications need to be submitted by April 20.

Riverview Farm is appealing the Committee decision and it will be on the next agenda. The appeal will begin at 8:15am and he has 15 minutes to speak with the Committee on the matter.

A vendor suggested that care be taken to provide for a good mix of both food and craft vendors in the Flag Field. This will maintain consistent interest throughout the entire Market.

Jean indicated that she will reach out to volunteers to check in with them in advance of the season.

Next Meeting:

April 6 - 8am via Zoom.

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Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Eric M. Trott  
Director of Planning and Development