

Egremont Agriculture Committee Meeting

Minutes 10/3/19

Meeting started at 7:02 PM

In Attendance: Peter Maggio, Daryl Turner, Jennifer Brown, Elizabeth Keene,
Sarah Love

1. 3/21/19 minutes accepted

2. Town accepts Pollinator Plan for the discounted price of \$5,000.00.

3. Elizabeth met with Evan Abrahams from Franklin County.

They are new and excited to work with us.

They have already done research in our area.

They will have a stakeholder meeting for anyone with the interest or the ability to implement

He will then do research on our area

Their interest is in the interaction between open areas and farms, hedgerows and how to deal with invasive species.

He will present findings to our group for feedback and then devise a plan.

How do we get people to attend? Most work will be done in the winter, presenting in the spring. Who should we ask?

Ask: Zoe Hirsch, Melody Lamb, French Park Committee, Dave Guidi, Liz Spaulding, Con Comm, Egremont Land Trust, Greenagers, Highway Department, Tom Reynolds, Jim Noe, Select Board, Green Committee

Need to set the date. Perhaps Mary B. could allow her crew to come at night and get out early on a Friday.

Possible dates: October 22 or 24 at 7:00.

Elizabeth will write a brief description of what it is.

4. Next Wednesday, October 9 is the Farmer's Gather at Equinox Farm at 6:00 PM.

5. Farm Bureau update:

6. Darryl asks for help in getting the new robotic milking effort underway at Turner Farm. The new milking will change over on November 5.

Berkshire Grown is hosting visits to Colfax Farm and Square Roots Farm

7. Newsletter:

8. Next meeting date:

9. Meeting adjourns at 7:44.