

**TOWN OF GRANBY**  
**AGRICULTURAL COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING**  
**November 12, 2015**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Michelle Niedermeyer, Pam Burek, Erin Pirro

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Michelle Niedermeyer

Michelle presented the schedule of meetings for 2016, which will include the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month except March, September and December at 7: p.m. The dates are as follows:

January 13, February 10, April 13, May 11, June 8, July 13,  
August 10, October 12, and November 9

**OPEN FARM DAY REVIEW**

Open Farm Day 2015 was a success. Attendance seemed comparable to 2014, and the comments and reviews were very positive. The event stayed within budget. At the present time, there is a balance of approximately \$730 in the budget to be spent before June 30, 2016 for next year's Open Farm Day. Suggestions for next year include:

- Evaluating the purpose of the passports- is the data gathered worth the time required to input?
- Establish Michelle and Pam as co-chairs.
- Set up a detailed task list so that the work is distributed more equitably.
- Look into a computer application that would help manage the event. Erin has one in mind and will discuss it further with Pam.
- Enter email addresses from last year's passports into the mail chimp list.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Indoor Farmers Markets are being held at Lost Acres Vineyard on Monday, November 23, 2015 from 1-7 p.m. and on Saturday, December 19, 2015 from 10a.m.-2 p.m.

There are openings on the Agricultural Commission. Please let folks know and encourage those with interest to talk to the town political party committees.

A discussion of possible projects for 2016 will be held at the next meeting. Some ideas given included: a cooking with fresh foods class, establishing a right-to-farm ordinance, and completion of the Planning for Agriculture review which was started last year.

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for January 13, 2016, at 7 p.m. in the Police Department Community Room.

**ON A MOTION** by Pam Burek, seconded by Erin Pirro, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren Stuck  
Recording Secretary