

Bozrah Agriculture Commission

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, September 26, 2023 *6:00 pm*

Maples Farm Park Homestead

1. Attendance/ Introductions
2. Public Input
3. Review of Minutes May 23, 2023 Meeting
4. Old Business
 - a. 2023 BAC Scholarships
 - Donation status
 - Plan to collect future donations
 - b. 2023 BAC Events Feedback
 - Tractor Night at Farmer's Market
 - Ag in the Classroom
 - Bozrah Locavore Event
5. New Business
 - a. BAC Vacancy
 - b. 2024 Agriculture Commission Events
 - Memorial Day Parade
 - Tractor Night at Farmer's Market
 - Ag in the Classroom
 - Bozrah Locavore Event (next in 2025)
 - Other events?
 - c. Other
6. Other Business
7. Future Agendas
8. Announcements/Reminders
9. Public Input
10. Adjourn





Bozrah Agriculture Commission

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday May 23, 2023 6:00 p.m.

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Present: Sarah Brush, Amanda Fargo-Johnson, Cheryl Carberry, Molly Lathrop, Diane Lavallee

Absent: Stephanie Fear

1. Attendance/ Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Sarah Brush. The meeting was held at Maples Farm Park Homestead.

2. Public Input: none

3. Review of Minutes: Molly moved to accept the minutes of the March 28, 2023 meeting. Cheryl seconded the motion. No discussion. The motion was passed with one member abstaining.

4. Old Business:

- **2023 BAC Scholarships-** Cheryl reported that two applications were received for the SAE Scholarship and none for the senior scholarship. Discussion was held about the applications. Cheryl verified the scholarship fund current amount is \$430. Amanda moved to award both applicants \$100. Molly seconded. Discussion was held. The motion passed unanimously. Cheryl will notify the applicants of the awards and will find out when commission members can visit their SAE projects to present the checks. Molly will contact the town to secure the checks.
- **Thank you cards** – Diane reported her research regarding purchasing a custom made stamp with the BAC logo to create these cards. Other ideas were discussed that will cost less or be free. No action was taken on purchasing a stamp.
- **Riverwalk Improvement Plan** – Sarah reported she has bluebird boxes and posts to install and will be installing them soon.
- **Tractor Night at Farmer's Market** – Wee set for Friday, July 21, 2023. Cheryl will set up and other members will take turns at the donation table.
- **Ag in the Classroom** – Molly and Cheryl will run this again and will do a lesson on pickles. Molly will secure a date.
- **Bozrah Commissions Appreciation Local Food Potluck** – We plan to alternate this event every other year and participate in the Memorial Day parade on the off year. Molly will contact Miria about a date in August. We will advertise this event at Tractor Night as well as in other formats.

5. New Business:

- **BAC Vacancies:** Diane Lavallee has been officially appointed as an alternate BAC member by the Board of Selectman at their May 16, 2023 meeting. Cheryl and Stephanie

have been moved to regular members instead of alternates. We are in need of one more alternate BAC member.

6. Other Business: Members had a discussion about seed saving and a potential future commission project. No action was taken.

7. Future Agendas: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 26, 2023. The agenda will reflect the minutes of this meeting.

8. Announcements/Reminders: none

9. Public Input: None

10. Adjourn: Amanda moved to adjourn the meeting; Molly seconded the motion; the motion was passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:23 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Carberry

BAC Secretary



Bozrah Agriculture Commission

Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 28, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Present: Sarah Brush, Cheryl Carberry, Molly Lathrop

Absent: Amanda Fargo-Johnson, Stephanie Fear

Guest: Diane Lavallee

1. Attendance/ Introductions: The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm by Sarah Brush. The meeting was held at Maples Farm Park Homestead.

2. Public Input: none

3. Review of Minutes: Molly moved to accept the minutes of the November 15, 2022 meeting. Cheryl seconded the motion. No discussion. The motion was passed.

4. Old Business:

- **2023 BAC Scholarships-** Cheryl will contact a Lebanon Agricultural teacher to find out why no applications were received and to extend the deadline to May 1st. She will also verify the scholarship fund current amount and attain a list of those who donated so thank you cards can be sent. Weld like to explore purchasing a custom made stamp with the BAC logo to create these cards. Diane volunteered to look into a stamp.
- **Memorial Day Parade** – Members of the commission are busy with other obligations, so it was decided that we will not be in the parade this year.
- **Tractor Night at Farmer’s Market** – Sarah is contacting Miria for the date.
- **Ag in the Classroom** – Molly and Cheryl will run this again and may do a lesson on pickles.
- **Bozrah Commissions Appreciation Local Food Potluck** –A decision on doing this was postponed to the next meeting.
- **Riverwalk Improvement Plan** – Sarah reported she has bluebird boxes and posts to install and will be installing them soon.

5. New Business:

- **BAC Vacancies:** We are in need of two more BAC members. Diane is interested and will contact Glenn.

6. Other Business: None

7. Future Agendas: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, May 23, 2023. The agenda will reflect the minutes of this meeting.

8. Announcements/Reminders: none

9. Public Input: Diane suggested exploring ways to promote seed saving banks and sustainability practices.

10. Adjourn: Cheryl moved to adjourn the meeting; Molly seconded the motion; the motion was passed and the meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cheryl Carberry

BAC Secretary