Town of Bellingham MA

10 Mechanic Street, Bellingham MA 02019

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Livestock Regulation Committee December 06, 2016 Minutes

PRESENT

7 Voting Members:

Brian Salisbury Tricia Leclair Tracey Taddeo Daniel Spencer EJ Renda Carolyn Duhaime Luke Lavallee

Also Present:

Health Agent: Michael Catalano

Town Planner and Zoning Compliance Officer: James Kupfer

Minutes Clerk: Tina Griffin

CALL TO ORDER

Minutes Clerk, Tina Griffin called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

NOMINATIONS

A nomination was made by Mr. Lavallee for Ms. Leclair to be Chairperson for the Committee. Seconded by all voting members and passed.

A nomination was made by Carolyn Duhaime for Mr. Lavallee to be Vice Chairman for the Committee. Seconded by all voting members and passed.

DISCUSSION

Mr. Kupfer opened the discussion portion of the meeting by going over the current by-laws and regulations regarding livestock through the Planning and Zoning Departments.

Mr. Kupfer explained the current Zoning Districts, current livestock raising regulations and current land requirements. After Mr. Kupfer finished stating the current by-laws and regulations, the meeting was then brought back to discussion by the Committee's voting members.

Many topics were discussed at this time, to determine what needs to be addressed by the Committee first, such as:

Planning and Zoning by-laws, Health and Safety of animals, neighboring towns by-laws, registration of animals, land requirements, etc.

Mr. Salisbury made a suggestion to have all Committee members do research on neighboring towns bylaws and regulations and items that we need to discuss with the appropriate departments and bring all the suggestions to the next meeting. Committee agreed with Mr. Salisbury's suggestion.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Spencer made a suggestion to let Planning and Zoning Departments work on their plans and put together a

by-law so that we know what issues will be brought to Zoning / Planning Departments and which issues will be handles by the Board of Health. Committee agreed with Mr. Spencer's suggestion.

A motion was made by Mr. Salisbury to move the meeting start times to 7:00 pm, rather than 6:00 in order to ensure everyone can make it to the meetings on time. Motion was seconded by the Committee and passed.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

Mr. Lavallee moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 pm. His motion was seconded by Ms. Leclair and carried.

NEXT MEETING IS DECEMBER 13, 2016 AT 7:00 PM DOWNSTAIRS