Minutes Agricultural Commission November 18th, 2008

Present: G. Adzima, D. Beaudette, J Gillan, H. Gardenier, R. Reidy, W. Shattuck

Visitor: Dave Fournier

Absent: J. Clements, S Gay, A. Page

Meeting began with a review of the September and October 2008 minutes. Minutes were approved.

Right to Farm Bylaw- It was noted that the Town passed a Right to Farm bylaw on August 4th, 1988. Members discussed updating the bylaw for improvements and clarity. Continued the review of the Model Right to Farm Bylaw provided by the Mass Department of Agricultural Resources. Members discussed methods of disclosure notification including road signs and inserts with tax bills. Regarding resolution of disputes, the Agcomm would like to be notified of any complaints filed in order to assist with developing a resolution. Agcomm will make changes to the Model bylaw and discuss further before presenting to the Board of Selectmen.

January Farmers meeting- Date selected was Saturday, January 31, 2009. We will look into holding the meeting at the Community Room at the Police Station. Will will ask the NRCS about a speaker presentation.

Minutes by G Adzima