



**KILLINGLY AGRICULTURE COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING – IN PERSON MEETING**

**Wednesday, March 13, 2024**

**7:00 PM**

**ROOM 102**

**KILLINGLY TOWN HALL, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT**

**MINUTES**

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Erin Gervais, Chair

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call**  
Meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Rick Miller.  
Roll Call – Rick Miller, Erin Achenbach, Mary Ann Schramm, Allison Brady (staff), Tony Giambattista (Town Council).  
Dana Hopkins and Jamie Gervais absent without prior notice.
- II. **Agenda Addendum**
- III. **Citizens Participation**- All public comment can be emailed to [publiccomment@killinglyct.gov](mailto:publiccomment@killinglyct.gov) or mailed to Town of Killingly, 172 Main Street, Killingly, CT 06239 by 2:00 pm the day of the meeting. All public comment received prior to the meeting will be posted on the Town's website [www.killinglyct.gov](http://www.killinglyct.gov).
- IV. **Adoption of Minutes – review / discussion / action**  
A) Regular Meeting – October 11, 2023 – Erin made the motion to approve; Mary Ann seconded; Motion passed 3-0.
- V. **Reports / General Business – review / discussion / action**  
A) **Classes/Events** – Rick is going to plan another mushroom class at the library during May; he will be coordinating with Rich from Fenner Forest Farms again. The topic will be how to grow mushrooms in buckets. Will advertise on Facebook and in Shoppers Guide/Turnpike Buyer and make a handout/flyer. Rick will reach out the the grange to discuss collaborating in some way. Discussed a farm tour event where you spend a day in town traveling from farm to farm, with a map to follow, on your own time schedule. Discussed reaching out to Byron to see if he's still interested in doing bee classes despite resigning from the Commission. Also decided to purchase a "10 years of service" plaque for Byron Martin; Allison will email Awards and Printing. Discussed identifying farm stands in town and creating a handout listing them and what they sell.  
B) **Killingly Community Garden** – KCG was the recipient of the Killingly Conservation Commission 2023 Environmental Award. Had a successful last season with 300+ lbs of produce donated and 500+ volunteer hours. They received a large seed donation and have many new volunteers interested. They plan to start grant projects.  
C) **Green News – Newsletter** – Discussed article topics that can be included in the next newsletter including taking care of trees into dormancy and natives vs non-natives.
- VI. **Town Council Liaison Report – meeting / progress report** – Updates were given by Tony Giambattista.
- VII. **Other Items – review/discussion/action**
- VIII. **Next Meeting – Regular Meeting – April 10, 2024– review/discussion/action**
- IX. **Adjournment** - Erin made the motion to adjourn, and Mary Ann seconded. Motion approved 3-0. Meeting was adjourned at 8:18 PM.