

MANSFIELD AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE  
DRAFT Minutes of April 1, 2014 meeting  
Audrey P. Beck Municipal Building, Conference Room B, 7:30 p.m.

1. Chairman Cyr called the meeting to order at 7:35.

Present: Al Cyr, Charlie Galgowski, Vicky Wetherell, Shep Stearns, Jennifer Kaufman (staff).

2. Minutes of the March 4, 2014 meeting were approved.

**Old Business**

4. *Farmers Meeting* The committee reviewed the results of this meeting on March 19., which provided many comments from the local agricultural community about proposed actions in the new Plan of Conservation and Development . The committee discussed the next farmers meeting in early 2015 and considered trying a different time and day and encouraging Vo-Ag students to attend this event. The committee discussed a recommendation to have a taste of local foods event at a restaurant. Discussion included possibly cosponsoring the event with other town agriculture committees and inviting many restaurants to participate.

5. *Mansfield Tomorrow Review* Jennifer updated the committee about the project. The committee reviewed the proposed title of Chapter 7 and recommended changing it so it does not set agriculture apart from other economic development.

**New Business**

6. *Mansfield Agriculture Brochure* Since there would be few changes from the current brochure, the committee decided to postpone updating the brochure until next year.

7. *Future Agendas* The committee will postpone consideration of easements until after the new Plan has been approved. Following a discussion of CLiCK's finding a location, the committee proposed a field trip there with other agricultural commissions that could include discussion of a potential local foods event.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50. Next meeting on May 6, 2014.