

**Minutes, June 15, 2022 E. Lyme Agribusiness sub-committee meeting at Cranberry Meadow Farm, 80 Grassy Hill, E. Lyme**

-meeting opened at 6:35pm

- members present: Tom + Nancy Kalal, Mark Christensen, Sally Uden, Megan Hatt

Delegations from the public, Jan Groskoph, Heather, Carter

-Discussion on a mini orchard at Samuel Smith Farmstead: the need for deer repellent and weed control.

-Sustainable CT- Giving Garden looking to get another matching grant through this program

-Discussion on the need for more members on the Agribusiness subcommittee, what we do etc. . Jan G. agreed to become a member as well as Heather + Carter.

-July Farm Day plans for Samuel Smith Farmstead. Megan will bring horses and offer rides to youngsters, sell goat milk soap, and bring goats. Mark to bring sheep; Heather/Carter may have an informational table about Heritage breed pigs. Sally suggested a Pollinator Pathways table with mudballs for kids. Also, possible Giving Garden informational booth needs to check with the Giving Garden group first. The event goes from 10-3pm, set up is 9:30 or earlier.-Reports: Hathaway land may have some land for farming, if the town were to purchase the land, according to Conservation Comm. There were 107 people in attendance at the " Open House and Vintage Tractor Show", on June 11<sup>th</sup> at Samuel Smith Farmstead. The event was well received, free lunch was provided to tractor show participants. There were about 12 tractors/trucks.

-Meeting Adjourn 7:50pm.

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