MINUTES OF MARCH 20, 2024 AGRIBUSINESS SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING
AT EAST LYME HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS

Members present: Mark Christensen, Tom Yuhas

Meeting opened at 6:40pm.

Delegates – none

February Minutes – approved 2 – 0

Discussion on upcoming tour of Ledyard Vo-Ag program.
Terri Yuhas was working with Devon O'Keefe to schedule potential dates/times in April.

Mark Christenson stated that the "DOT 161 Interchange Project" meeting was well attended.

Upcoming Seminars
Mark Christensen discussed the following upcoming seminars;
Saturday March 23rd 2pm – "Connecticut's Eastern Coyote". (Set up by Marjorie Meekhoff of Pollinator Pathways) East Lyme Room East Lyme Library.

Saturday April 6th 3pm – "Benefits of Local, Sustainably Grown Food". East Lyme Room East Lyme Library. (Set up by the Agribusiness Sub-committee)

Other Programs:

Mark Christensen also discussed the upcoming tractor show scheduled for June 8th 2024 from 2pm – 3pm at the Samuel Smith House. Mark asked the sub-committee members to spread the word to people we may know who may be interested in bringing an antique tractor or truck.
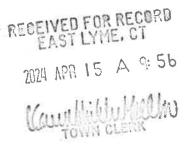
Farm Day will be scheduled in October of 2024. More information to follow as we get closer to the date.

Mark Christensen spoke with Steve Dinsmore who will be moving bees to the Samuel Smith House.

Additional Items/Reports

Mark Christensen attended a Zoom meeting on Wills, Trusts, and Land Transfers for Land Owners.

Kathy Christensen has offered to teach a class on Introduction to Horses at Brookside Farms for Middle School age children.

Tom mentioned that Terri Yuhas had attended a Zoom meeting presented by the Connecticut Farm Bureau and Department of Energy and Environmental Protection on the new Bear Regulations in Connecticut (Connecticut Statute Chapter 490 Fish and Game – mostly sections 26 – 47). This will be discussed in more detail at the next meeting.

Adjournment
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Next Meeting: 17APR2024

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Yuhas
Secretary, East Lyme Agribusiness sub-committee