

Warner Agricultural Commission approved minutes for March 11th, 2024

- Members reviewed the minutes from the February 12th meeting. The minutes with edits were voted on and unanimously approved.
- Members welcomed Ashley Place, and John Puc as guests to the meeting. They were provided with a brief overview of the Warner Agricultural Commission, and they shared their agricultural interests here in Warner.
- Mike Biagiotti mentioned he had received feedback from a couple of Warner residents via email, and they had expressed interest in attending our meetings in the future.
- Members discussed the process for volunteers that would like to join the Agricultural Commission, and open vacancies.
- Members discussed future community outreach for the commission. Mike Biagiotti had made contact with UNH Extension to create a partnership working towards outreach and speaking engagements. UNH Extension requested a list of topics we would like to include in future presentations. Some examples mentioned were pest control, conservation easements, and farm financing / insurance.
- Members discussed the timing of the upcoming event at Town Hall on April 6th. Members agreed to bring refreshments for the attendees.
- Members discussed the Warner Housing Advisory Committee, and their request for feedback from other town committees and commissions. Bob Bower mentioned the importance of discussion about future housing development in Warner, and the possible affects it will have on agricultural lands and local workers. He also noted the importance of recognizing the difference between workforce housing and employee housing.
- Mike Amaral formulated a possible response to the HAC request for feedback.
 1. Recognition that housing needs for seasonal farm workers are unique to that business, use, and warrant special considerations.

2. No further subdivisions in areas zone as open conservation.
- Mike Amaral announced a speaking engagement, UNH Extension is hosting a free event on the Asian Jumping Worm. To be held at 1 pm on March 12th in New London. Bob Bower provided a reminder about Maple Weekend in Warner is the weekend of the 16th and 17th.
 - Public Comment: None.
 - Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.