

BOARD of SELECTMEN (Special)
Meeting Minutes
July 28, 2016

ATTENDANCE: The meeting was convened at 5:03 pm by First Selectman Nina Daniel with fellow Board member Mr. Tracey present. Town Administrator Landry, Park and Recreation Director Ungar, and Lachat Farm Commission members Ellen McCormick and Carol Baldwin were also in attendance.

PROGRAM and BUDGET: The meeting began with a summary of projects underway at the Farm, and of programs offered to date. These include music, community gardens, art programs and children's programs. It progressed to a discussion of potential staffing needs to move the program forward, what the cost of those services might be, which entity would better serve as the employer (Town or Friends 501c3), and whether the cost of Farm operations should be included in the annual Town operating budget.

After discussion, the Lachat Farm Commission was asked to refine its proposed program budget, and to develop an action plan for the proposed program director position in consultation with Mr. Landry. Mr. Tracey asked that the Town explore the possibility of conducting payroll operations for any farm employees, and to provide a list of town expenditures to date for the property.

ADJOURN: At 6:35 pm, a motion (Mr. Tracey, Ms. Daniel second) to adjourn the meeting passed by unanimous vote.

Approved: August 18, 2016